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FRENCH ADMIRALTY TELLS STORY INCIDENTS WHICH LED TO THE ORAN BATTLE

BRITISH OPEN FIRE AFTER WARNING

MARSEILLES, July 5 (REUTER)—THE FRENCH ADMIRALTY ACCOUNT OF THE INCIDENTS LEADING UP TO THE ANGLO-FRENCH ACTION IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AS DESCRIBED BY MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL YESTERDAY, WAS ISSUED FROM VICHY AND PUBLISHED BY THE HAVAS NEWS AGENCY.

The communique states that "on July 3, a British squadron, composed of three ships of a line of which H.M.S. Hood was one, one anti-aircraft carrier and certain number of cruisers and destroyers arrived at Merselkehr, where the French force was lying.

This comprised two ships of the Dunkerque type and the Strasbourg was also present, as were the Provence and Bretagne, three second class cruisers and a certain number of light vessels and submarines which were not in condition to go to sea at once.

"The British Admiral sent Admiral Gensoul the following ultimatum: 'Join the British fleet or destroy your ships within six hours so that they shall not fall into German or Italian hands.'

The communique does not mention the other alternative which Mr. Winston Churchill mentioned yesterday but the communique adds that "in case this was refused the British said they would not hesitate to destroy the ships themselves.

"Admiral Gensoul refused and declared that he would meet force with force and that the first shell fired would see the whole of the French Fleet lined up against Britain—a result the very opposite of what he desired.

NO DEMAND MADE
"The Government and the Admiralty approved this and the Armistice Commissions were notified.

EVACUEES LEAVE HONGKONG

HUSBANDS COMPLAIN OF POOR ACCOMMODATION

THOUGH "TAIPAN'S" WIFE GIVEN CABIN WITH BATH!

Telephoning from on board the Empress liner berthed at No. 1 Kowloon wharf yesterday a Hongkong lady, in great emotion, told her husband that she and their two children, one aged four years and the other 15 months, had been allotted accommodation in the steerage section of the steamer for the voyage to Manila.

This was but one of many instances of the consternation that has been aroused among local husbands following the poor arrangements that appear to have been made for the welfare of evacuees.

The husband of the lady, who telephoned told a Daily Press reporter yesterday that he was, to say the least, disappointed and annoyed.

"I am in a financial position to pay for the passage of my wife and children to Manila and for their sustenance there and if I had known the conditions under which they are being sent up I would have made other provisions."

On the contrary the wife of a local taipan, it is learned, will travel to the south in a single cabin with bath attached.

A calm and confident spirit was noticed among the women evacuees concentrated in the lobby of the Hongkong Hotel yesterday. Most of them were quietly sitting within a roped off area, while their husbands and men friends chatted with them over the barrier of chairs.

"MAC'S" CLOSED

Mac's Cafeteria was closed to all but the evacuees, who sat round the tables and were served drinks and tea by the hotel boys as well as nurses in uniform. Relations crowded the plate glass doors, hung with "Closed" signs, while a more enterprising wife managed to talk to her husband on the side walk through the grill in the window facing Queen's Road.

Police officers patrolled the premises, as well as the street to keep it free of traffic. A pretty girl in a nurse's uniform stopped a Daily Press reporter, as he was entering the Gloucester Hotel Arcade from the east side, and politely but firmly asked him to enter by another entrance, as the passage was closed.

"PAINFUL FEELING"

The French Admiralty had the painful feeling that France's misfortunes had left Britain indifferent and that the latter were only thinking of becoming masters of the French Fleet.

"The French Fleet was going to remain French or perish. In any case it does not deserve to be struck in the back on Mr. Churchill's orders.

Even before the ultimatum had expired the British Admiral had magnetic mines dropped from the air in the Channel leading to Merselkehr and on the expiration the British ships opened fire on the French ships which were still at anchor, but returned fire assisted by the Coast Batteries.

It appears that the Bretagne had been blown while the Dunkerque and Mogador had fires aboard.

Other ships were able to get under way and make contact with the French warships sent to meet them.

DISCUSSING ACTION TAKEN AGAINST FRENCH FLEET, STEED SAYS

NO HARDER DECISION, YET THERE IS NO DOUBT MOVE WAS FULLY JUSTIFIED

"Today there is only one world affair—the action the British Navy was compelled to take against the French Navy, and particularly the French ships in Oran where the French Admiral commanding refused to comply with the British Government's request conveyed to him from Admiral Somerville through Capt. Holland," said Mr. Wickham Steed, in the opening sentence of his broadcast, from Daventry yesterday, in the weekly "World Affairs" series.

"No harder decision was taken by any British Government, yet there was not a shadow of doubt that the action was justified," the speaker added.

Mr. Wickham Steed went on to say that the feelings of the British were pronounced on the matter, but he added that the feelings of the free French peoples in various parts of the world were more poignant.

"We bow our heads to them in painful sympathy," Mr. Wickham Steed went on. He then proceeded to deplore the fact that Marshal Petain's Government had released 400,000 German pilots, who had been shot down by the Royal Air Force, and who were prisoners of war in France, to fight once more against the British.

This, the speaker said, despite the fact that Mr. Reynaud had promised to hand over the prisoners to Britain.

POETRY MORE ADEQUATE

Mr. Wickham Steed said that a fortnight ago he said that in summing up the present situation poetry was more adequate than prose, and in this connexion he quoted a verse written by Sir Robert Vindictart which opened with the lines:

"Did you have faith with me When all was well, yes... and went on to add that the closing lines would perhaps describe the situation better if they were altered to read:

"If for your sake devoid of bitterness I face the world against you after all"

MERELY NAZI RUMOURS

LONDON, July 5 (REUTER)—The German News Agency in a despatch from Geneva claims that the Petain Government had broken off diplomatic relations with Britain as the result of the British naval action at Oran.

Nothing to this effect had been heard in London and the French Embassy staff is still carrying on the work as usual.

Washington Approval

NEW YORK, July 5 (REUTER)—The Washington correspondent of the New York Times says that while American naval experts would not go so far as Senator Pittman in giving outright statements on the British action against the French Fleet, naval men have been privately ready to point out that Britain has taken a step vitally necessary from her point of view, and of the tremendous importance since Germany, with the French Navy, could face Britain on the sea on almost equal terms.

Some went so far as to admit that the United States might also feel safer in the knowledge that most of the larger units of the French Fleet were sunk or otherwise rendered hors de combat. As instructions of Hitler's ambitions.

As naval officers, however, they expressed regret at the hard fate that obliged the British and French sailors, so lately comrades in arms, to turn their guns on each other.

COASTAL COMMAND ATTACKS ON ENEMY U-BOATS: FIVE MADE IN COURSE OF FIVE DAYS

Italy Had To Claim Something!

LONDON, July 5 (REUTER)—Recent Italian and German broadcasts describe Sollum, a village two miles away from the Egyptian-Libyan frontier as "an important naval base and frontier junction" whose bombardment by the Italians is a grave menace to Britain.

The facts are that Sollum houses only a normal peace-time garrison of one Egyptian battalion and one battery which contains a dismantled Turkish fort used as a store. It relies for drinking water on the weekly boat from Alexandria.

The exaggerations were presumably designed to provide the Italians with the much-needed filip to their prestige.

NO EXCHANGE RESTRICTIONS

MANILA, July 5 (REUTER)—Denying that any restrictions had been placed on the exchange, Reuter has been authorised to state that the Hongkong Bank and Chartered Bank will buy sterling or Hongkong dollar to any unlimited extent.

One bank states that it is advising evacuees not to change too much of their sterling owing to the probability of re-evacuating to Australia.

LONDON, July 5 (REUTER)—The Air Ministry announces that British aircraft of the Coastal Command attacked five U-boats within five days last month.

The first U-boat was sighted in the North Sea early one morning. The bombs dropped struck it on the starboard side while the vessel was submerging and two large oil patches appeared on the water. The aircraft circled overhead for three hours but nothing more was seen of the U-boat.

On another occasion an Australian crew, patrolling in a Sunderland flying boat, said they saw a U-boat about a mile off. The U-boat began to submerge but while it was still at periscope depth the flying boat dropped six bombs near the port bow. A mass of oil and bubbles appeared and increased as the flying boat circled overhead.

PERISCOPE SEEN

The third U-boat was attacked while the conning tower was out of the water and the bombs fell directly ahead of the conning tower.

The fourth submarine was attacked two days later. A direct hit was scored just as it began to submerge while in the fifth case the bombs began to fall a few seconds after a U-boat had submerged, but when the periscope could still be seen.

Immediately after a crash dive the submarine altered its course in an effort to dodge but the pilot saw the manoeuvre in time and his salvo of bombs hit the U-boat's bow a few yards ahead of the conning tower.

ITALIANS LOSE SEVEN PLANES

A communique issued by the Royal Air Force in London yesterday, states Reuter, is to the effect that six British fighters encountered nine Italian aircraft fighters and shot down seven on Thursday afternoon.

One British fighter is missing but it is believed that it had made a forced landing on our side of the frontier.

British fighters also met and attacked other enemy aircraft, the encounter resulting in one enemy machine crashing in flames and another making a forced landing.

BOMBEE DOWNED

A formation of Blenheims at-

LIST OF AIR CASUALTIES

LONDON, July 5 (REUTER)—Features of the Air Ministry casualty list No. 37 are that 102 members of the R.A.F. are listed as missing, or missing and believed killed. Also four previously reported missing and killed are now reported to be safe and 32 previously reported missing are now prisoners of war.

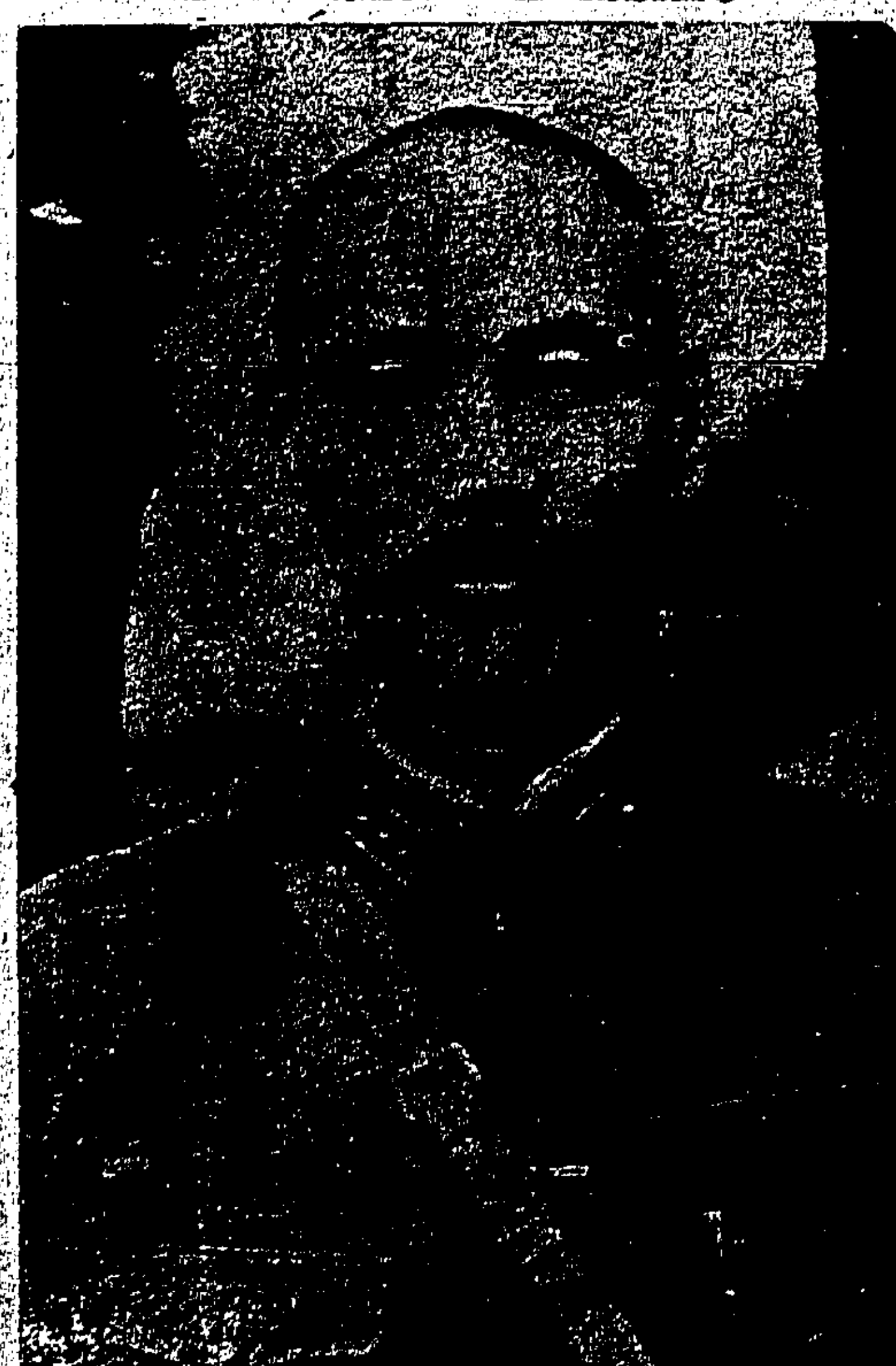
EAST INDIA FLIGHT

CALCUTTA, July 5 (REUTER)—A total of \$55,000 has been cabled to the Air Ministry towards the cost of an "East India Flight" of Spitfire Fighters brought by the East India Fund for British war service.

AMERICA AND EUROPE

LONDON, July 5 (REUTER)—The Stockholm Dagnyhet, in a leader on "America and Europe" traces the disappearance of isolationism in the United States of America and demonstrates how the "instinct of self-preservation expressed itself in the accelerated support to the Allies which in the event of a long war can be of far-reaching importance, and also the increase in America's defence forces on such a scale that it can be compared with the German rearmament scheme under the Nazi regime."

THE GENERALISSIMO



There will be no peace for China except peace with Japan under him the country is strong united.

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Entertaining Baseball On Glorious Fourth

H.K.B.C. To Clash With Mindanao Today

BY R.O.Y.

Taking full advantage of a momentary let-up in the heavy rains of the current week, local baseballers staged an entertaining match against the U.S.S. Tulsa in celebration of the Glorious Fourth, on Thursday afternoon.

Turning out short-handed, the locals requisitioned the services of "Squeaky" Bishoff, Grey and Williamson to nose out the Tulsa boys by 5 tallies to 3, after trailing for most of the game.

Bishoff in his first appearance on the local diamond, hurled surprisingly well to limit the Tulsa sluggers to two safeties which were a triple-bagger by "Horseface" Douglas and a single by Terry.

Although "Squeaky" walked seven batters, he struck out six and allowed the losers only two earned runs.

Pitching for the Tulsa, Lefty Stockton fanned three, walked three, and allowed the winners to garner four hits which were good for four earned tallies.

CREDIT TO GREY

Tuffy Chinn clouted a double while blinges were registered by Johnny Alvares, Williamson and Babe Chinn. Credit for the locals' victory, though, should go to hind-satcher Grey whose knowledge of the opposing batters enabled him to do some remarkable master-minding in the direction of his fielders.

It looks as though fans are in for another lean time this weekend, as the teams in the second division are again drawn against the leading teams in the local competition.

Best of the three games scheduled will be the clash between the Hongkong Baseballers and the Mindanao, this afternoon, at 2.30.

It will be remembered that the Baseballers are the only squad who beat the Mindanao gang in the first round of matches just completed, and they are confident that they can repeat that victory.

The Mindanao gang are just as confident that they will reverse the previous result and incidentally

confirm their claim that they were robbed in their last clash.

Bill Smith will again take the mound for the Baseballers but it is doubtful, extremely doubtful, if he will meet with the success that attended his efforts last time.

Even if he should manage to hold the sailors to a respectable score, his teammates will find it difficult to garner enough runs to give him a working margin, as they will be facing the redoubtable hurling of "Ski" Powlowski who has had little trouble in breezing them past most of the best local hitters. Umpires will be Hal Wing Lee, Nip Lum and Stan Leonard.

DOUBLE-HEADER

In the opener of a double-header on Sunday, Chung Hwa should have an easy outing against South China, who have not shown any signs that they are ready to take their first points from any other team in the league. Arbiters will be Johnny Alvares, Wilson and Dave Leonard who can be depended upon to keep play moving.

With "Granpop" Leung, Tuffy Chinn and Charlie Figueredo handling the game, the Hongkong Brewers tangle with the Royal Engineers in the nightcap in what should be just a pushover for the Beer Barons.

After the League games have finished, fans will receive further entertainment when a local squad takes the field against the U.S.S. Asheville who have not made an appearance in the Colony for some time. Richard Chung has been charged with the responsibility of getting the locals together and they'll have to be good if they are stand a chance against the top-notchers of the "Ashean."

Alice Memorial AND AFFILIATED HOSPITALS

MORE EXPANSION IN WORK

The Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals have experienced a further expansion in their work during 1939, according to Dr. S. W. Ts'o, C.B.E., in a speech delivered at the annual meeting of the Hospitals, held yesterday in Prince's Building.

The annual report and statement of accounts for 1939 were adopted, as well as the estimates for the year 1940.

Re-elected for the current year were Dr. S. W. Ts'o as Chairman, and Mr. A. W. Hughes as Deputy Chairman, proposal was put forward by Mr. F. C. Hall and seconded by Mr. S. V. Boxer.

The following were elected as members of the Executive Committee for the year 1940.—Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. Tang Shiu Kin, Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Hon. Mr. H. J. Pearce.

WORK REVIEWED

Dr. Ts'o, addressing the meeting said, in part:—

The year 1939, the second since the opening of the new Nethersole Hospital, has been marked by further expansion of our work. Throughout the year, accommodation in our hospitals has been used to capacity and the number of out-patient visits has shown further increase.

The actual figures for the year were 3,873 in-patients and 35,347 out-patient visits as compared with 3,870 and 33,242 respectively for the previous year.

The maternity and gynaecological work has shown a substantial increase and the children ward has been busier than ever. There has been a great demand for men's beds, but owing to lack of accommodation, many male cases have had to be sent away during the year.

INCREASE IN STAFF

This increase in work necessitates an increase in the staff. Additional Chinese Staff nurses have been appointed locally. Further increase in our nursing staff is desirable but we have no accommodation for them. The housing of nurses is a pressing problem with us, which will have to be solved in the immediate future.

We are glad to be able to announce that, thanks to some generous donations and a special effort by the nurses during December, the amount outstanding in respect of the cost of the furnishings and fittings of the new Nethersole Hospital was cleared off before the close of the year.

We are fortunate in again being in a position to report a small credit balance on the year's working, but we would remind our friends that the increases in staff mean considerable increased expenditure. We hope that the Government will, this year, see its way to favourably consider our application for an increase in its annual grant. It now remains for me to express our grateful thanks to all who have helped us in different ways during the past year and to express our deep appreciation of the splendid work done by the whole staff from the Superintendent downwards during the past year which has been a very busy and strenuous one for all.

THOSE PRESENT

Those present at the meeting were Dr. S. W. Ts'o, Mr. A. Summerfelt, representing Messrs. Linstead and Davis, Hon. Treasurers, Mr. F. C. Hall, Rev. H. R. Wells, Rev. Frank Short, Mr. S. V. Boxer, Dr. J. W. Anderson, Miss M. Ward (Matron), Dr. F. R. Ashton, Medical Superintendent, Dr. A. Sydenham, Secretary.

LOCAL ESTATES

Probate in respect of two estates was granted yesterday.

The late Mr. David James McFarlan, merchant, who died at Sandycroft, Pyrford Heath, Woking, Surrey, on January 2, 1940, left Hongkong estate valued at \$3,909.

The estate in the Colony of the late Mr. William Tait, who died at Kirknewton, St. Mary's Avenue, Alverstoke, Hants, is sworn under \$20,500.

Applications for permission to seal certified copies of probate made respectively by Mr. H. J. Armstrong and G. W. N. Tinson have been approved.

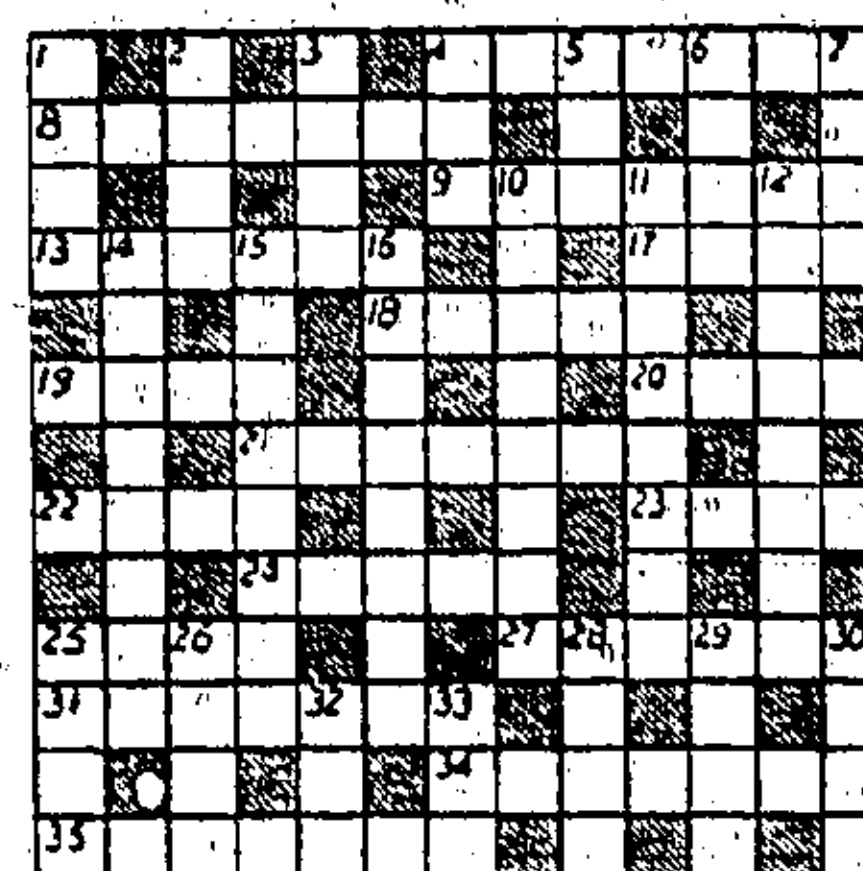
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- 8 It's many-sided
- 9 Parvenu
- 13 Lodestone
- 17 Roman date
- 18 Coalition
- 19 School
- 20 Eager
- 21 Nasty to look at
- 22 Document
- 23 Red coating
- 24 Call forth
- 25 Fish
- 27 Plant
- 31 Fawns
- 34 Arouses
- 35 Behaved to

DOWN

- 1 Shape
- 2 Deer
- 3 Fever
- 4 Antelope
- 5 Vapour
- 6 Conduct
- 7 Tiny marks
- 10 Captive
- 11 Repaired badly
- 12 Frees
- 14 Before
- 15 Number
- 16 Flower
- 25 Short tail
- 26 Railway
- 28 Open
- 29 Refreshments
- 30 Silence
- 32 Obtain
- 33 Dejected



SOLUTION ON MONDAY

Solution No. 650

ACROSS: 1, Grim; 5, Carp; 8, Antler; 9, Cover; 11, Also; 12, Entirely; 13, Tend; 14, Owns; 15, Station; 16, Get; 20, Off; 21, Prisons; 23, Mute; 24, Ails; 27, Siege-gun; 30, Gist; 31, Older; 32, Lentil; 33, Knee; 34, Deal.

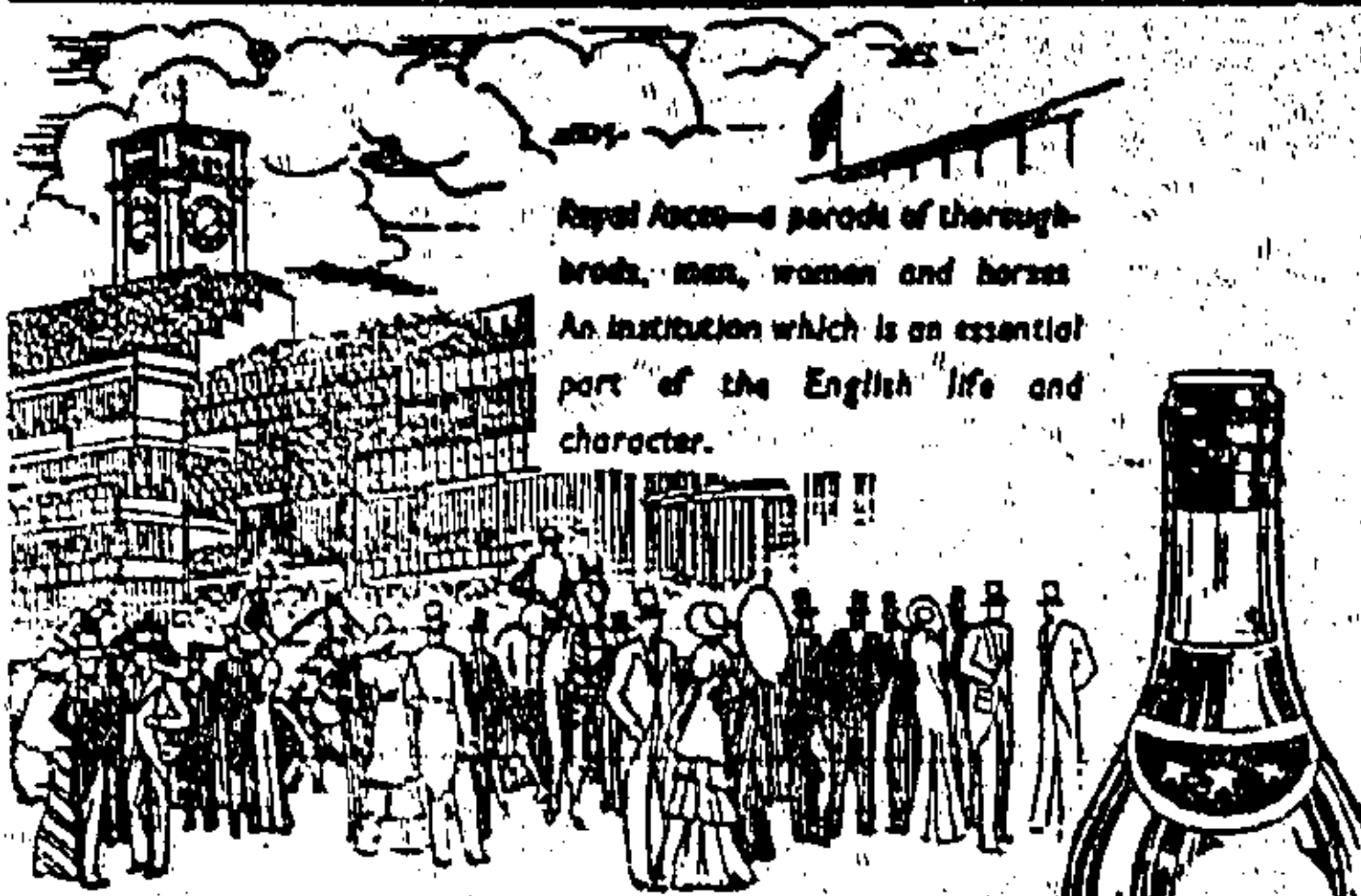
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COLOMBO'S DEBT TO ROYAL NAVY

COLOMBO, July 5 (Reuter).—The Colombo Municipal Council is contributing \$15,000 for war purposes.

In a resolution to this effect the Council expresses the city's debt to the Royal Navy for the security it enjoys.

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The people of Jaffna, in northern Ceylon, have started a fund to purchase fighters as an expression of their gratitude for the benefits they enjoy under British rule.

NIGERIA'S GIFT
LONDON, July 6 (Reuter).—Nigeria has given the British Government \$100,000 from the emergency fund to assist in the prosecution of the war.

STARTING TIMES FOR FANLING TOMORROW

OLD COURSE

A.M.
9.15 G. M. Park, S. L. Lloyd.
9.20 G. G. Aitkenhead, R. C. Gardner.
9.24 F. Groves, F. Fleth.
9.28 W. Hewitt, W. G. Robertson.
9.32 S. H. Dodwell, Brig. MacLeod.
9.36 J. G. Jensen, Major Alley.
9.40 Major Bowle, Major Syer.

LAWN BOWLS MATCH

The Bowlers will meet the Kowloon Cricket Club at Bowls on Wednesday next, July 10, at 4.15 p.m. at the K.C.C.

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

BASEBALL LEAGUE. Hongkong Baseball Club v. U. S. S. Mindanao (Caroline Hill) 2.15 p.m.
BOWLS LEAGUE. First Division, Craigengower v. Recreio A., Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C., Indian R.C. v. Civil Service, Police R.C. v. Kowloon Docks, Hongkong F.C. v. Recreio B., Second Division, Talkoo R.C. v. Craigengower, Kowloon B.G.C. v. Kowloon Tong, Kowloon F.C. v. Police R.C., Recreio v. Hongkong C.C., Civil Service v. Kowloon C.C., Third Division, Hongkong Electric v. Indian R.C., Craigengower v. Prison Officers, Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C., Kowloon B.G.C. v. Hongkong F.C.
SWIMMING. Chinese Athletic Association Gala (North Point) 7.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

BASEBALL LEAGUE. South China v. Chung Hwa Baseball Club (Caroline Hill) 10 a.m.
Royal Engineers v. Hongkong Brewery (Caroline Hill) Noon.
BOWLS. Colony Open Rinks Championship, Second Round, A. A. Razack, K. M. Omar, A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar v. W. Melrose, R. Main, R. Munro and J. C. Chalmers (At, Civil Service).

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

NEW YORK, July 5 (Reuter).—

The following are the results of League baseball matches played yesterday:—

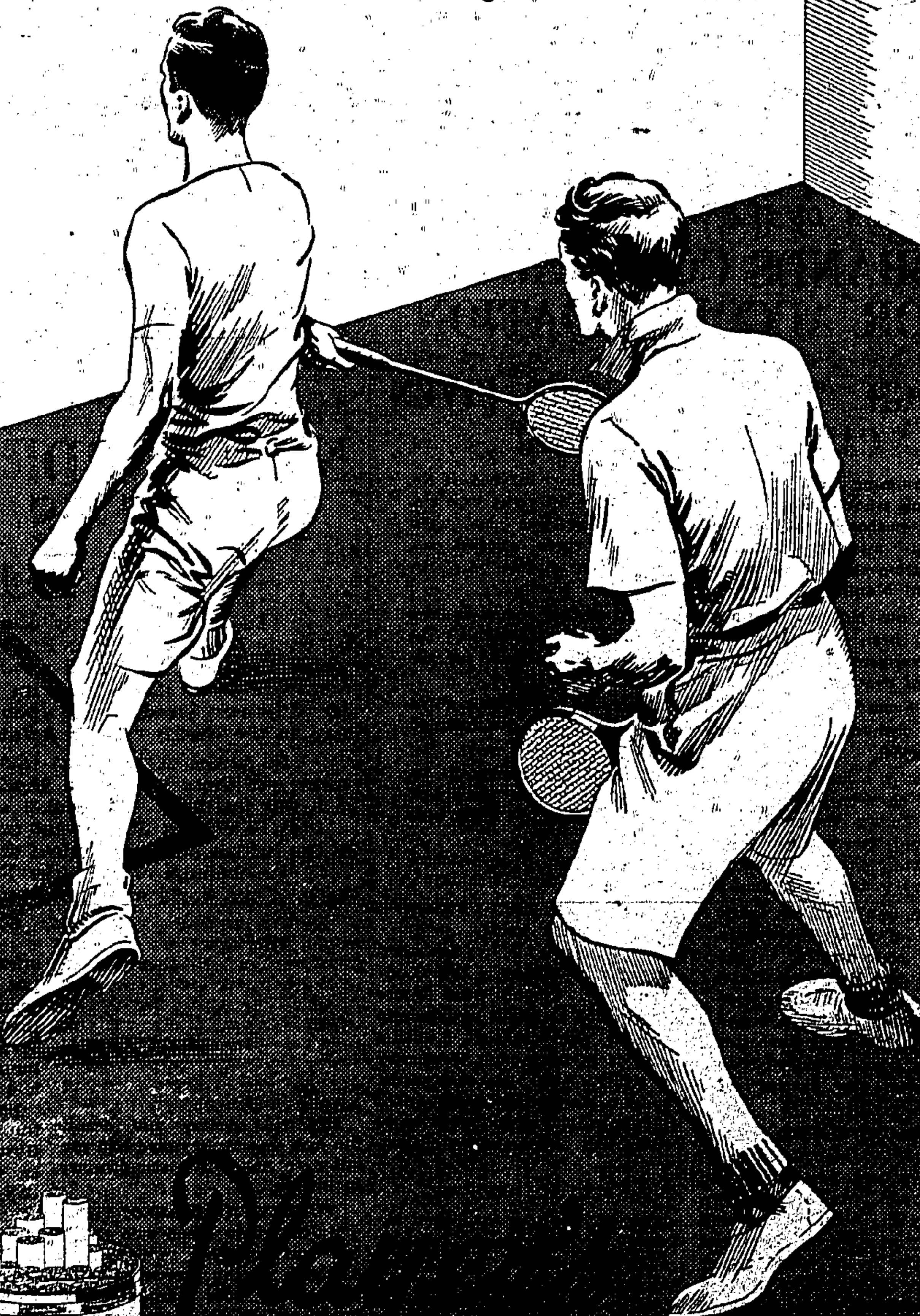
NATIONAL

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	6	16	1
(Lavagetto homered)			
New York	1	3	1
Boston	3	8	2
Philadelphia	4	6	0
Pittsburgh	1	7	3
Cincinnati	9	12	0
(Goodman homered)			
Chicago	4	11	2
St. Louis	3	10	2
Boston	5	7	1
(Sisti homered)			
Philadelphia	4	9	1
Pittsburgh	1	3	1
Cincinnati	3	9	1

AMERICAN

	R.	H.	E.
New York	12	11	0
(Keller twice, Rolfe, Selkirk and Gordon homered)			
Boston	4	10	0
Philadelphia	10	6	2
Washington	5	11	0
Cleveland	3	5	0
(Chapman homered)			
Detroit	5	11	1
(York homered)			
St. Louis	3	7	2
Chicago	7	17	0
New York	7	12	1
(Rosar twice and Gordon homered)			
Boston	3	9	2
Cleveland	2	6	1
Detroit	10	7	2
(11 innings were played)			
St. Louis	5	7	0
(Berardino homered)			
Chicago	8	12	2

After the last long rally...



COLD MELANCHOLY OF FUNERAL SERVICE GRIPS THE COMMONS

British Attack On French Ships Told By Premier

The cold melancholy of a funeral service gripped the House of Commons as members listened to Mr. Churchill unfolding the story of the British attack on the ships of their French allies, writes Reuter's Lobby Correspondent.

Mr. Churchill himself seemed to have almost physical difficulty in forcing the facts from unwilling lips.

For a few minutes, the stark tragedy of the events slowed up the tide of determination for victory which characterises the House of Commons in these days. There was a dead silence, as the French losses were enumerated and Mr. Churchill expressed his fear that the loss of French lives had been heavy.

Then the darkest portion of the panorama passed and the Prime Minister proceeded to quote our inflexible resolve to do everything possible to prevent other ships falling into German hands. The tension was broken when Mr. Churchill declared that he left the Cabinet's action to the judgment of Parliament. Members relieved their pent-up feelings by a tremendous cheer.

CHEERS FOR PREMIER

The end of his speech—after he had given the lie direct to rumours of negotiation with Germany and Italy and had reiterated the determination of the country to fight on until victory was achieved—gave the House occasion for unleashing the feelings that had been growing during the speech.

Mr. Churchill sat down with the appearance of having completed a strenuous physical and mental task.

Immediately the whole House burst into loud applause and Mr. Churchill seemed almost crushed by the volume of applause and sat crouched in his seat with his chin on his chest.

Mr. Churchill quickly recovered and rose to move that the House enter into secret session.

As he stood at the despatch box, his appearance was a signal for another spontaneous burst of cheering.

SUMMARY OF ACTION

BERLIN, July 5 (Reuter)—A summary of the naval action at Oran by the official German News Agency states: "Ships of the line of the Dunkerque and the Provence and the squadron leader Mogador were sunk on fire by artillery action and are now in flames in the harbour of Oran."

"Ships of the line of the Bretagne seem to have been destroyed by a magnetic mine."

"The Strasbourg, five squadron leaders and torpedo boats and some submarines seem to have broken through the British encirclement into the Mediterranean."

ORDERS TO SCUTTLE

BERLIN, July 5 (Reuter)—The French Armistice delegation reported the incidents between British and French warships at Oran to the German Armistice Commission.

The official German News Agency states: "The leader of the French Government has given orders for the French ships to scuttle themselves if they cannot escape seizure by the British."

CANADIAN PERSONNEL

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter)—It is stated in London that if additional personnel is required for officiating the French Fleet now in British hands, Canada can supply it.

The Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve members have been training in Britain for some time and others are following on.

Admiralty officials are greatly impressed with the Canadian keenness and have stated that such men will be a valuable asset to the Royal Navy.

MORE ENCOURAGEMENT

OTTAWA, July 5 (Reuter)—Indications are that Mr. Winston Churchill's statement on the disposition of the French Fleet has done more to encourage the Canadians than anything since the start of the war.

The British action, difficult though it was, made clear, above all, the question of the determination of the British Empire to fight to a finish, in the opinion of the Canadian man-in-the-street.

NECESSARY ACTION

WASHINGTON, July 5 (Reuter)—The British action regarding the

French Fleet is regarded here as regrettable, but necessary.

It has been considered axiomatic in American naval circles that the British could never allow the French Fleet to fall into German hands. The British Government would undoubtedly have been criticised if it had not taken the necessary steps.

It was felt that the combined French, Italian and German navies might prove a real threat to British sea power, now thoroughly realised to be a threat also to American security.

NO INFORMATION

ALEXANDRIA, July 5 (Reuter)—No information regarding the future of the French Fleet in Alexandria has been made public yet.

Meanwhile the combined British and French Fleets remain in harbour outwardly calm.

ITALIAN INVITATION

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter)—The Rome radio announced, in what appeared to be a reply to Mr. Winston Churchill's statement that the Italian Navy "kept prudently out of the way" at Oran, said that "Italian naval units played the part of spectators because they could not get to the spot in time."

The announcer threatened naval reprisals and extended an invitation to the British Fleet "to repeat the action against an Italian naval base."

BRITAIN AND PETAIN GOVT.

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter)—Asked in the House of Commons if the French Government at Bordeaux, under German control, was still recognised by the British Government, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied, "It is not yet possible to speak with certainty as to the conduct of our relations with the Government of Marshal Petain."

Both Yangtsechen and Chungking, strategic towns on the east bank, are encircled. The Chinese drive toward Suhsien has been accelerated. Lelkuntun, and many other outer defence points of the city, have been regained.

A Japanese troop train on the Peiping-Hankow Railway was dynamited on June 28 at Kikung-shan, a popular mountain resort on the Hupei-Honan border about 100 miles north of Hankow. The locomotive and five coaches were blown up, killing 120 Japanese and wounding about 100.

On the night of the same day a large section of the railway track between Tunghuangtien and Wushengkwan in south Honan was damaged by the Chinese.

A check-up reveals that 12,830 Japanese were killed, 34 Japanese taken prisoner, 67 tanks and armoured cars destroyed and 3,861 rifles, 155 light machine-guns, 48 heavy machine-guns and 53 horses captured as a result of Chinese action in north Kiangsi, north Hunan, and south Hupei between June 7 and June 28.

3,500 KILLED
To the south-east of Nanchang, 3,500 Japanese were killed, 21 taken prisoner, 23 armoured cars destroyed and 780 rifles, 52 light machine-guns and 16 heavy machine-guns captured.

Some 2,600 Japanese were killed and 628 rifles, 35 light machine-guns and nine heavy machine-guns captured around Hsishan (West Hill) and Wanshoukung (Longevity Palace) to the southwest of Nanchang. At Anyi, about 25 miles west of Nanchang, 240 Japanese were killed and 920 rifles, 15 light machine-guns, seven heavy machine-guns and 53 horses captured.

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New York World's Fair Explosion

BOMB HIDDEN IN THE BRITISH PAVILION

NEW YORK, July 5 (Reuter)—Three detectives were killed and several others injured by the explosion of a bomb at the British Pavilion in the New York World's Fair, according to police headquarters.

The bomb was found hidden in the pavilion. Police were called and the bomb exploded while it was being removed, causing also some damage to the Polish Pavilion nearby.

There were 168,000 visitors inside the fair grounds celebrating Independence Day at the time of the explosion and several thousands were at the foreign exhibit area which is the British Pavilion's locale.

MYSTERIOUS VOICE

The explosion of the bomb, which was described as a "flame-throwing bomb," was discovered two days ago after a warning was telephoned to the British Pavilion.

A mysterious voice said: "Get out of the building. We are going to blow it up."

FAMILIAR TECHNIQUE OF NAZIS

NEUTRALITY OF EIRE

ZURICH, July 5 (Reuter)—The German press is now asserting that the neutrality of Eire is being threatened by Britain and that Germany, therefore, is entitled to make counter-acting moves.

This is a familiar phase of Nazi technique but its application to Eire is noted with deep interest in London.

The defence measures by the Eire Minister of Defence include the placing of Dublin, Kingston and Cork under military control.

An Air Ministry communiqué states that in an engagement with enemy fighters off the south-east coast of England yesterday evening R.A.F. fighters shot down a Messerschmitt into the sea and severely damaged another.

No bombs were dropped.

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GERMAN RAIDERS BOMB SEASIDE TOWN

Seven Bombers Destroyed: Six Badly Damaged

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter)—Twenty German raiders, in waves of three, visited England yesterday and dropped several bombs over a south-west seaside town.

The roof of a house and the window panes were broken by the blast.

One more, probably two, German raiders were shot down by our fighters, says a news agency.

Other planes appeared over the south, east and north-east, but no damage was reported.

The total of German bombers brought down on Wednesday is now found to be higher than was thought. The latest figure is seven destroyed and six more, so badly damaged, it was unlikely that they managed to get home.

Earlier reports had said that six were destroyed. It is now learned that a seventh was brought down by one of our fighters 15 miles inland of France after a chase across the Channel.

THREE CREW KILLED
A German bomber was brought down yesterday by anti-aircraft in south-western England. Three of the crew were killed and two others came down by parachute and were reported to have been captured.

The Admiralty, Air Ministry and the Ministry for Home Security, in a communiqué issued last night, state: "Enemy aircraft today approached the Channel coast."

"At Portland a naval auxiliary vessel was hit and set on fire. One small tug and a lighter were sunk. Some damage was caused to buildings and there were a few civilian casualties."

NO CASUALTIES
"Another raid penetrated into the south-western counties. Bombs were dropped but no military objectives were hit, and no casualties were reported. Anti-aircraft guns opened fire and fighters were in action at several points."

"Reports hitherto received show that one enemy bomber was brought down in raids over this country yesterday."

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More Germans And Austrians Are Interned

DEATH PENALTY FOR TREACHERY

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter)—In a written reply in the House of Commons, to a series of questions on the subject of aliens, Sir John Anderson, Home Secretary, said that in view of the exigencies of the military situation certain further categories of Germans and Austrians were being interned, but it would not be in the public interest to give details of the scheme at this stage.

In reply to another question, Sir John Anderson stated that any person proved to have participated against the security of this country would be guilty of an offence under the Treachery Act and liable, on conviction, to suffer the death penalty.

Sir John intimated that he would not be deterred from immediate action by any considerations of social standing.

Home Defence Organisation Satisfactory

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter)—At question time in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Winston Churchill, Prime Minister, rejected a suggestion that a Commander-in-Chief be appointed to co-ordinate the defence of Britain.

The whole organisation of Home defence, he said, has been worked out by the combined Staffs of the three fighting Services and the Government believed that the present scheme gave the Commander-in-Chief for Home Defence the necessary control, both in the military and civil sphere.

It would be the greatest mistake at this moment to remould an organisation working to the satisfaction of the principal executives concerned.

He had not heard of any practical suggestion as to who the proposed super commander-in-chief should be.

HEAVY BATTLE ON S. BANK OF YANGTSE

CHUNGKING, July 5 (Reuter)—Heavy fighting is in progress on the south bank of the Yangtze River, opposite Ichang where Japanese troops, from Ichang, crossed the river three times in an effort to clear up the Chinese forces concentrated on the south bank, according to Chinese reports.

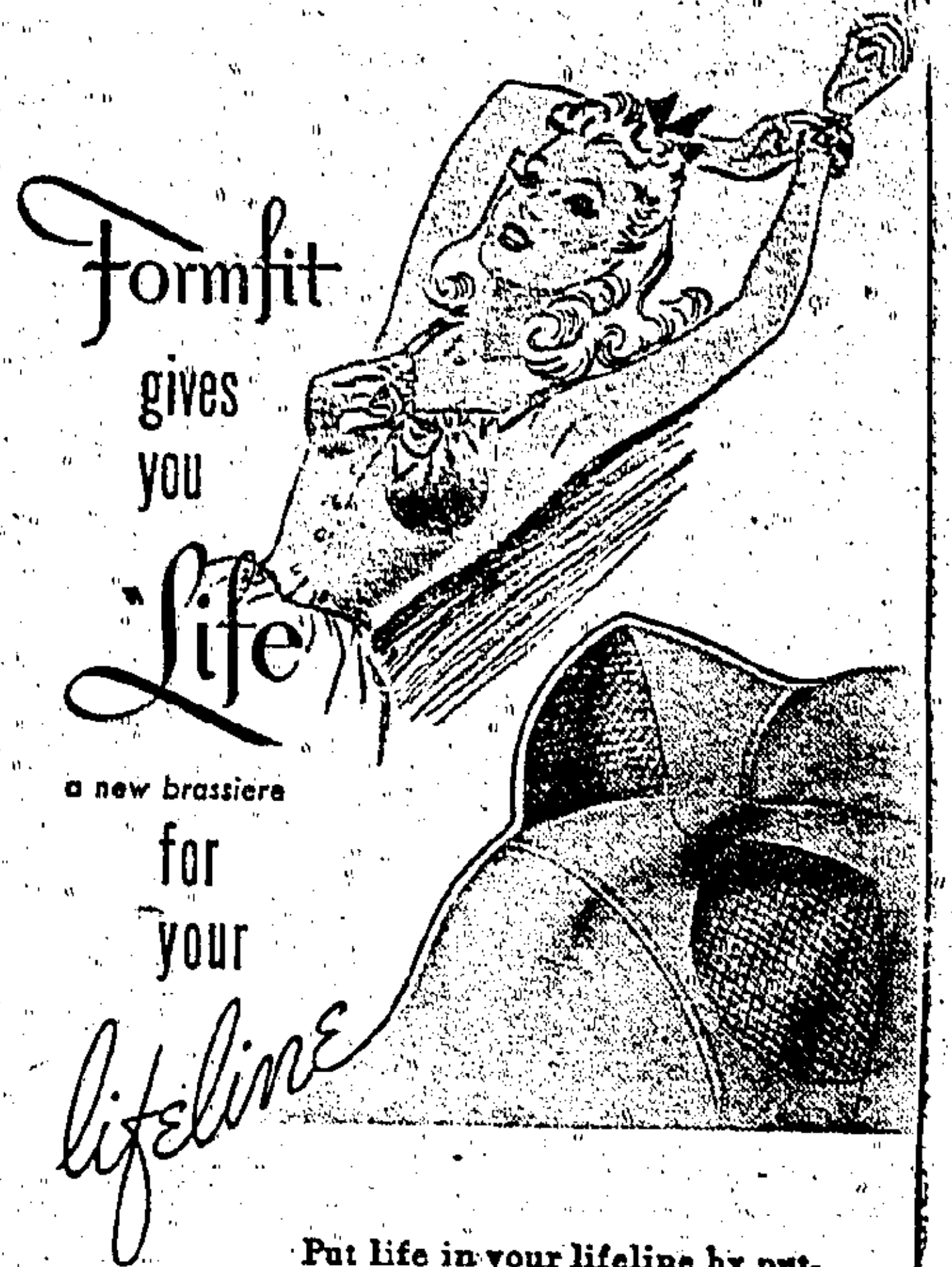
The first and second groups of Japanese troops, who crossed the river on June 29 and on the night of June 30, were dispersed by the Chinese on July 1, the reports declare.

But the Japanese again crossed the river on July 2. Chinese forces, it is added, launched a vigorous attack in an effort to clear the south bank of Japanese troops.

BOMBS NEAR FUSHAN

CHUNGKING, July 5 (Reuter)—Five groups of Japanese aircraft headed westward for Chungking but, owing to bad weather conditions, they dropped bombs in the vicinity of Fushan, on the Yangtze River, near the eastern border of Szechuen.

Japanese bombers from Hankow on June 30 were unable to reach the capital because of heavy rain. They bombed Fushan while bombers from Shansi raided Stan, according to reports received here.



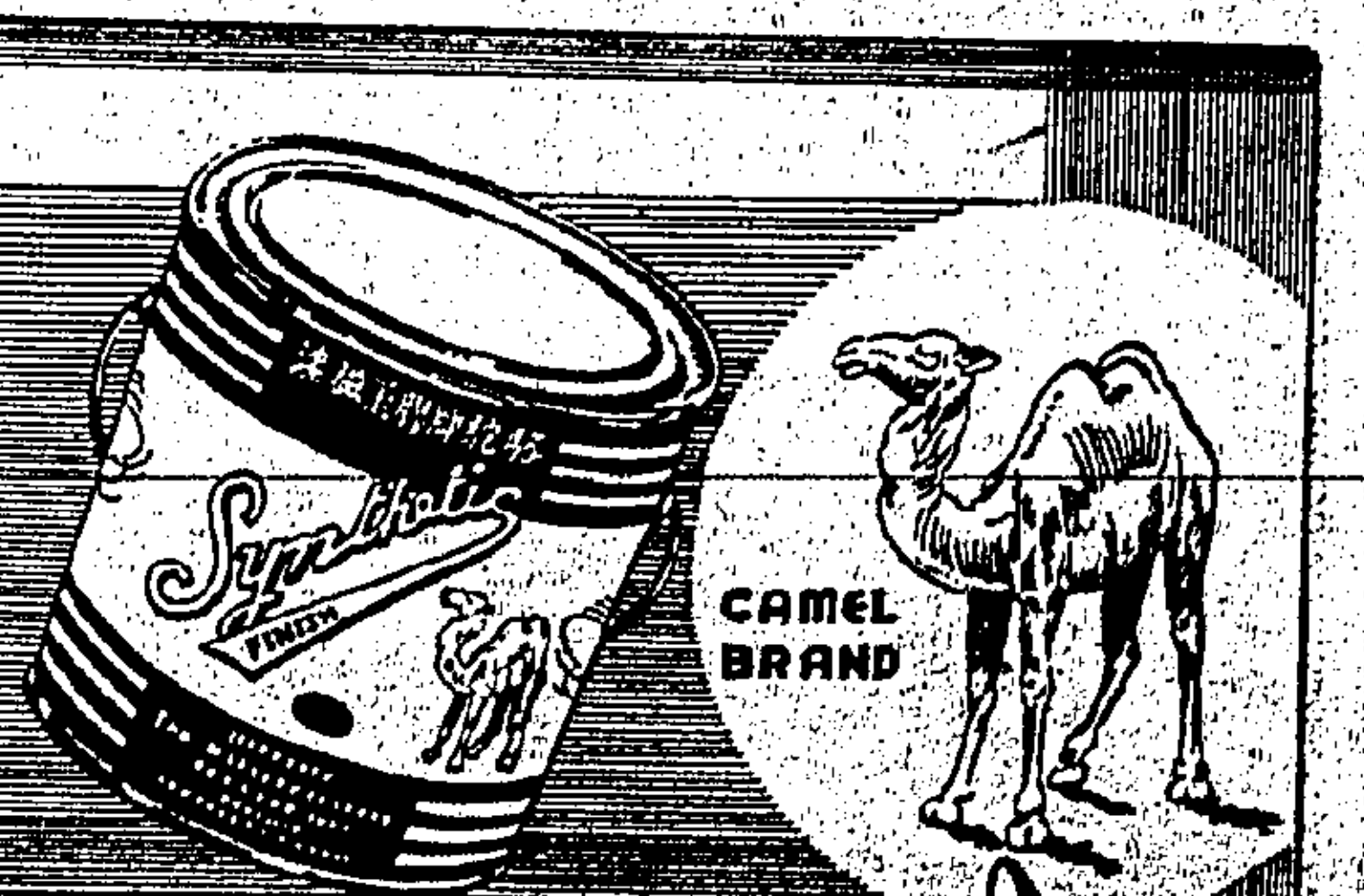
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"You will find it nestling cozily in the bottom right-hand waistcoat pocket."
"Oh yes. Of course. So it is. Ha! Ha! Funny if I lost it. Yes. I say—let's go over this business once more. Now what do I do when..."
"My dear Peter, look at your tie. Pull yourself together. Remember, I'm the man who's going to be married, not you."
"Oh. Are you? I mean yes—if course. Fact is, old boy, I'm in a rather weak state. That celebra-



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MATRICULATION EXAMINATION RESULTS: 131 BOYS AND 60 GIRLS SUCCESSFUL

28 Distinctions Gained In Mathematics And 17 In English

The following are the results of the Matriculation Examination held in June.

The letters after a candidate's name indicate the Faculties or Courses which the candidate is entitled to enter, according to the following table:

- (a) Eligible for admission to the University of Hongkong in all Faculties.
- (b) Eligible for admission to the Medical Faculty.
- (c) Eligible for admission to the Engineering Faculty.
- (d) Eligible for admission to the Arts or Science Faculties in Courses requiring Mathematics.
- (e) Eligible for admission to the Arts or Science Faculties in Courses not requiring Mathematics.
- (f) Eligible for admission to the Arts Faculty in Courses requiring Chinese.

Altogether in Hongkong and Kowloon, 274 boys and 120 girls sat for the examination. Of these 131 boys and 60 girls passed.

Of the boys, 248 were from local schools and of these 120 passed; while of the girls 113 were from local schools and 60 passed.

At the Kuala Lumpur Centre 9 sat and 2 passed. At the Shanghai Centre 4 sat and 2 passed.

The results of the following candidates will be published upon receipt of the results of the examination in Russian:

Jan Solecki, Eugene Mazura, Vladimir Sticka, Natalie Pedoseeva, Nathan S. Kaner (Shanghai).

In addition certain candidates entered for single subjects. The following passed:

Ernest Paterson, passed in Adv. Maths.

Ellen Hunt, passed in Maths. (Alg. Geom. and Trig.).

The Tak Fie (Kuala Lumpur), passed in Trig. and Adv. Maths.

Fong Wah Han (Kuala Lumpur), passed in Trig.

Tay Lai Hee (Kuala Lumpur), passed in Trig.

Lai Kuen Tee (Kuala Lumpur), passed in Trig.

Letters informing successful candidates of the results will be forwarded in due course to the Headmasters and Headmistresses of the schools concerned. In the case of private students these letters will be retained in the Registrar's Office of the University until applied for.

Subjects appearing after students names signify distinctions.

BOYS

KING'S COLLEGE

Au Hin Man (e, f), Chan Chok Po (b, e, f), Chan Ka Yau (a) Maths, Cheung King Yan (a) Maths, Chow Cham Chuen (a), Chow ham Leung (a), Chow Cheung Ming (a), Fung Hing Ngai (b, e, f), Arnold Ho (b, c, d, e), Fu Tak Luen (a), Lee Chi Nam (a), Lee Sau Man (a), Leung Hung Wal (a) Physics, Maths, Leung In Chung (a), Leung Yin Kai (a) Maths, Ng Wei Leung (a) English, Chinese, Ngon Poon Lap (a), Pau Po Yung (a), Edward Archibald Roberts (b, c, d, e), Eric Stanley Roberts (b, c, d, e), Tseung Yang Hung (a), Wong Kwok Hing (a) Maths, Wong Tak On (a), Wu Kai Sien (a), Wu Man Hon (a), Yu Cham Hui (a).

QUEEN'S COLLEGE

R. M. Arab (b, c, d, e) Geog., Ahmed Aziz (b, c, d, e) English, Chem., Chan Sul Lun (a), Chau Tin Cheuk (a) Maths, Chow Nai Yung (a) Chem., Mathematics, Sarwar Khan (a), Lam Sul Kwan (a) Chem., Maths and Geog., Li Shiu-sing (a), Jimmy Liang Shau Hong (a), Lo Shu Wing (a), Hukam Singh (b, c, d, e) English, Geog., Wong Chun Ho (a).

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

H. el Arculli (b, e), Chan Kai Fung (a), Chen Kwok Chung (a), Cheng-Koon Hong (b, e, f), Cheung Wei Yuen (a), Chow Ki Kit (a) Chinese, Maths., David Feldman (b, c, d, e) English, Chem., Maths., Fung Ping Kan (a) Physics, Geog., Kan Yuet Fai (a), Lee Hong Ming (b, c, d, e), Lee Tong (a) Chem., Maths., L. J. A. Leong (b, c, d, e), Lin Sin Lam (b, c, d, e) English, Des Raj Madan (b, c, d, e), Karimdar Singh (b, e), Wong Chak Wang (b, c, d, e) Maths, Wong Yue Tim (a).

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE

Chan Man Hong (a), Colin Wong Chun Keung (b, c, d, e).

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE

Ang Yak Sam (b, e), Chan Yim Ming (a), Chang Sze Hong (a) Mathematics, Physics, Cheng Yu Tam (a) English, Physics, Maths., History, Ho Weng Toh (b, e), Kwok Tingwo Chinkwong (a) Maths, Lau Hun Ming (b, e), Lee Chee Yean

(b, c, d, e), Oel Tong San (b, c, d, e) Physics, Maths., History, Tang Wei Zing (a), Wong Man Hon (a) Physics, Maths., Geog., Young Keng Wah (b, e).

WAH TAI COLLEGE

Ip Chi Chiu (a), Poon Kwok Kuen (b, e, f).

WAH YAN COLLEGE

Chan Man Sun (b, e, f), Chan Shiu Chuen (a) Maths., Cheung Koon Yat (a) Maths., Ho Nga Ming (a) English, Chinese, Lai Kit Chuen (b, e, f), Lai Sau Nam (a) Maths., Lei Chung Chiu (a), Lo Sai Kwong (a), Ma Pak Wai (a), Ng Fai Lu (a), So Kwok Chu (a), Tam Hok Kiu (a), To Man Chiu (b, e, f), Wai Kee Chak (a), Wong Hok Man (a) Maths., Wong Ming Tack (a), Yip Fai Yiu (a), Yung Hin Leung (a) English, Chinese, Maths., History.

DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL

Ching Chiu Peng (a), R. A. Jan (b, c, d, e), Paul Liu (a), Basil Moraes (e), History.

LA SALLE COLLEGE

C. C. Agullar (b, c, d, e), E. C. Agullar (b, e) English, B. A. Alonco (b, c, d, e) English, Maths., Geog., A. el Arculli (e), T. J. Britton (b, c, d, e), Moses Eleazer (b, c, d, e), Lao Mou Chi (a) English, Maths., J. D. Massabni (b, e), Mok Wah Leong (a), Mok Wah Shue (a), Physics, Chem., Maths., Geog., Ngan Ching Lam (a), Nguyen-Hoang-Sang (b, c, d, e), J. J. Richard (b, c, d, e), J. C. Ruiz (b, c, d, e), J. Skinner (e), H. Thumb (b, c, d, e), L. M. Xavier (b, c, d, e).

MUNSANG COLLEGE

Chan Fuk Sang (a), Lam See Chai (a), Ng Ding Wai (a), Siu Shek Hey (a), Wong Chak Lau (a).

YING WAH COLLEGE

Cheng To Lam (a), Fong Wing Hong (a) Physics, Maths., Yue Yat Shing (a), Yuen King Fai (b, e, f).

PRIVATE

Chan Yan-kwong (b, c, d, e), Chau Tin Wing (a), Fung Sun Yang (b, e, f), Kwan Poon Ming (b, e, f), Lam Fu Hang (a), Li Man Kim (a), Ma Shiu Chee (b, e, f), Mo Wan Lung (a), Tan Hock San (b, c, d, e), Wong Siu Po (b, e, f), Yung Shau Wing (a).

GIRLS

BELLIOS PUBLIC SCHOOL

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DIOCESAN GIRLS' SCHOOL

L. V. Bhungara (b, e) Biblical Knowledge, Phyllis Hoot (e) Biblical Knowledge, C. W. Kotewall (b), P. K. Lang (e) Biblical Knowledge, English, C. M. Lam (b, e), B. L. Wong (b, e) History, Geog., Frances Wong (b, e) Biblical Knowledge, K. V. Winyard (b, e), M. C. Winyard (e) Geog.

FRENCH CONVENT

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Cheng Pao Wei (a), Fung Yuk Yiu (a).

ST. STEPHEN'S GIRLS' COLLEGE

May Chow (b, c, d, e) English, Geog., Fung Fung Haan (a), Ho Yee Kwan (e, f), Joyce Kwok (b, e, f), Leung Wai Yin (a), Ma



Mr. Tsa Bing-yin and his bride, formerly Miss Kwan Sou-wing—(King's Studio).

REHABILITATION WORK IN SHUMCHUN AREA

An interesting talk on methods of rural rehabilitation was given by Mr. Percy Chen at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street, last night.

Mr. Chen, who is chairman of the Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre, sometime ago formulated a programme to resuscitate the livelihood of the farmers of the Shumchun area, and the scheme was working satisfactorily until the recent Japanese occupation.

A film of the work that was being done, prepared and edited by Mr. Chen, was shown last night, the speaker supplying a running commentary.

The speaker mentioned that more than 2,000 refugees from the Shumchun area were still in the New Territories, and the Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre was looking after the children of those who were not accommodated in Government camps.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

EMBEZZLEMENT CASE

Twelve charges of embezzlement of money totalling \$49 and one of larceny of motor car accessories, were preferred on a mechanic, Chan Ping-tong, 36, when he appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday.

The complainant in the case was Chang Kwai-dan, the proprietress of the Man Lee garage.

The prosecution was in charge by Mr. M. A. da Silva, while Mr. E. S. C. Brooks was for the defence.

The defendant was employed as manager of the Man Lee garage by the complainant at a salary of \$50 per month. At the end of May, Cheng gave notice to the defendant to quit and it was alleged that upon receipt of the notice, the defendant dismantled the cars in the garage and took away various tools and accessories belonging to the vehicles.

When attempts were made to obtain the implements back, the defendant returned some but failed to give all back.

A check up on the book kept by the defendant, it was alleged, revealed that some of the entries made by the defendant regarding hire fees for the cars, that were marked as outstanding, had been received and the defendant was

alleged to have embezzled the cash.

Following evidence, the hearing was adjourned until July 9.

DEMANDING MONEY

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed on Lam Pak-kei, alias Lam Pak-hang, alias Tse Pei-chol, 24, canvasser, when he appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday and pleaded guilty to a charge of demanding money with menaces and threats from Sin Kwan.

Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman told the Court that both the complainant and the defendant had known each other for several years. On June 28 Lam, together with several others, met the complainant in Queen's Road waiting for a bus. He took the complainant to a side lane and assaulted him, demanding money to be paid over in a week's time.

Sin made a report to the police and, acting on the instructions of Sgt. Cashman, he handed over two marked dollar notes to the defendant. At the same time police took Lam into custody.

SNATCHER GAOLED

Pleading guilty before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday to a charge of theft of a platinum wrist watch from a young girl, Tse Lok, 21, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

The girl, Luk Siu-chun, was walking along Caine Road on Wednesday when the defendant approached from behind and snatched her watch. An alarm was raised and Tse was arrested by a passer-by.

AT KOWLOON

DAILY GANG FIGHT

How one man's alleged action in persistently defaulting on a debt he owed another man led to a gang fight being conducted in the vicinity of the Naval Dockyard gates in Kowloon practically twice a day was related yesterday when Man Hung, 25, and Mong Lee, 26, were charged with fighting in Canton Road.

The first fight, Det.-Sgt. Bethell stated, occurred on Saturday morning and there had since been a fight practically on every occasion that second defendant entered or emerged from the Dockyard where he was employed. There were several persons involved in these fights.

Both defendants were bound over to \$50 by Mr. E. Himsforth to be of good behaviour.

14 STOWAWAYS

Fines of \$15 were imposed by Mr. Himsforth yesterday on 14 Chinese from Swatow, charged with stowing away on a vessel for Hongkong. One of them was a 14-year-old girl.

It was stated that defendants imagined to mingle with the cabin passengers and thus remained on board though it was difficult to stowaway on the ship as she did not carry deck passengers.

BOY KIDNAPPED

A plea that he had only taken the child out for a bowl of congee was disallowed. Lam Pak-to, 25, charged with kidnapping a four-year-old boy, when he received sentence of six months' hard labour from Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon Court yesterday.

Defendant, it was stated, took the child away about 8.30 a.m. on June 30 and was not located until 6 p.m. the same day in Larch St.

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Talkotkul. The child was led away by defendant from Pak Po St.

The kidnapped boy's parents were street sleepers. In the early morning of June 30, the father, a cobbler by trade, left for his work, and the mother, taking the bedding up to the second floor landing of the house outside which the family slept, left the boy and his sister, six years old, outside.

Defendant, who was known to the family, invited the children to come and have a bowl of congee with him. The boy went, but the girl refused. The anxious parents searched the streets the whole day before they found the boy.

STOLE \$20.50

Sentence of four months' hard labour was passed by Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday on Wong Wai-ngan, 19, charged with larceny of \$20.50.

All the money, it was stated in Court, had been recovered. It was returned to the police by Wong Chuen, 48, the defendant's father, who was charged with being an accessory to the larceny. He was bound over to \$100.

It was stated that the older man, who keeps a shop at No. 43, Main Street, Aberdeen, took the money off a shelf when located by the police early yesterday morning and handed it over.

The larceny was carried out on Wednesday morning when Liu Mui, 40, who resides at No. 12, Suffolk Road, went to the bank and returned with the money in notes which she locked up in a suitcase.

The key to the suitcase she hid under her pillow in the bedroom. Defendant, who was employed as a bodyguard by complainant's husband, was aware of the contents of the suitcase and the whereabouts of the key. At an opportune moment he absconded with the money and was not arrested until yesterday morning.

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The Prize-giving at St. Stephen's College, Stanley, will take place to-day, Saturday, July 6th, at 4 p.m. when all Parents, Old Boys and Friends are warmly invited to attend. His Excellency the Acting Governor, the Honourable Mr. N. L. Smith, and Mrs. Smith, have kindly consented to be present.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Share Registers of the Company will be closed from Monday, 15th July, to Friday, 19th July, 1940, both days inclusive.

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THREE YEARS OF
WAR IN CHINA

ON JULY 7, 1937, when reports from North China told the world that there had been a clash between Chinese and Japanese troops at the Marco Polo Bridge sector in Lukuchiao, it was generally felt that it was just another of the skirmishes between the Chinese and Japanese which had taken place from time to time. Nobody thought for a moment that the now famous Lukuchiao Incident would have such far-reaching consequences—so far reaching, in fact, that tomorrow, three years to the day after the "incident," the opposing forces are still fighting bitterly—one defending her territory and integrity with a determination that has won for her the admiration of the world, and the other still trying to impose her ruthless will on a people who had all along sought no more than to be left alone to work out their own salvation. It will perhaps be recalled by those who have followed the Sino-Japanese hostilities with any degree of interest, that efforts were, in fact, made to come to a peaceful settlement but to no avail. As the days passed, the Japanese Military Command made no secret of the fact that the policy to be followed was to "beat China to her knees" and, in point of fact, it was publicly announced that China would be so bettered and beaten by Christmas of 1937 that there would be, from that point, a "new order in Asia."

AS MATTERS have turned out, however, it would seem that Japan's militarists made a historical blunder in either over-estimating their own might, or under-estimating the fighting power and determination of China. The war that was supposed to last a

CORRESPONDENCE

HONGKONG'S NEW
GOVERNOR

To The Editor, Hongkong Daily Press

Sir,—Why I welcome the appointment of Major-General Norton as Governor of Hongkong—He is a Gunner of the old school. I do not know the gunners of today. He has passed through "The Shop" (Woolwich). Only those civilians who served as Gunners during the last war know the quality of the Regular Gunner Officers.

During his early training he was taught to look after his horses and men first and himself last. Not only that, but he was given a subsection, and he was made to put into practice what he had been taught.

His attempt on Mt. Everest shows that he is prepared to take the very greatest risks, but at the same time to take equally great precautions. This expedition also shows that he can command men and animals and that no labour is too great to ensure their safety and comfort.

From these facts we can be assured that for the future we shall have a leader who will ask of us no sacrifice which is not necessary; who will not be afraid to ask sacrifices of us which are necessary and who will, at all times, work for our safety and our well-being and will never consider his own except for our good.

Lastly, I gather Major-General Norton has served in the East long enough to be able to appreciate the difficulties of governing a mixed community such as is to be found in Hongkong.

Yrs. etc.

GUNNER (Temporary).

few months at the outside is still being fought as relentlessly as ever. During all this time China has had to put up with many trials and tribulations and but for the fact that in his far-sightedness the Generalissimo had long before July 1937 moulded the country into unified determination, the Japanese aims might easily have been achieved long before now. The secret behind China's excellent resistance perhaps lies in the fact that the people, not so much the fighting services, refuse to yield to propaganda preached, not through the wireless or newspapers, but by bombing planes and heavy artillery, supported by all the mechanised and other units that Japan can muster. The bombings of open towns and cities, refugee centres and hospitals, schools and universities, and defenceless villages might have broken the spirit of other people, but to the stoically natured Chinese population every such raid or attack merely served to strengthen the determination and will-power to fight on, until every invader has been driven from China's soil.

IN REVIEWING the war let us not forget the sacrifices made by the millions of women in China. Truly they are people that any country may justly be proud and when the time comes for a history of the Sino-Japanese war to be written, pages indeed must be devoted to the part played by China's women population to whom Madame Chiang Kai-shek has been, and will continue to be, such an inspiring example. Sacrifices are made without the slightest complaint, and whenever it had been to the interest of the country for women and children to give ungrudgingly, China's millions have never been found wanting. Such noble spirit, such sacrifices cannot be made without reward, and reward there will most certainly be when China, rid of the Japanese menace, breathes freely again, to continue with her peaceful pursuits and improvements which had been showing such wonderful progress but which were rudely interrupted at Lukuchiao on that fateful July 7 of 1937.

COLLISION SEQUEL

Glen Line Win Claim For
Unstipulated Damages

Judgment, with costs, for the plaintiffs, the Glen Line Ltd., in the case in which the Socony-Vacuum Oil Company was sued for unstipulated damages as the result of a collision between the Glen Line's s.s. Flintshire and the tanker, Yarraville, in the Yellow Sea on June 15, 1937, was delivered in the Supreme Court yesterday by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Plaintiffs were represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. F. G. Nigel, and the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. D. H. Blake.

In his written judgment the Chief Justice, said:—On the morning of June 15, 1937 the "Flintshire" and the "Yarraville" were in collision in the Yellow Sea.

The "Flintshire" was on a voyage from Tsingtao to Shanghai and was on a course South 2 degs. West. The "Yarraville" was bound from Shanghai to Dairen and her course was North 3 degs. East so that the vessels, as it to be expected in these waters were on practically parallel courses.

The times of the two vessels vary by one minute, and, save where I have to consider the handling and navigation of the "Yarraville," in which case I adopt her own times, I have for purposes of convenience adopted the times given by the "Flintshire," which are one minute ahead of the times given by the "Yarraville."

About 4.54 a.m. indications of fog were seen. The "Flintshire's" engines were put at standby, at 4.56 the engines were put to slow, and the regulation blast was blown at the prescribed intervals. At 7.07 a.m. the whistle of another ship was heard and the "Flintshire's" engines were at once stopped. At 7.08 a.m. her engines were put slow ahead, and, as the majority of opinion aboard was that the signals were from a ship on her starboard bow her helm was ported a point. At 7.10 a.m. everyone was satisfied that the other vessel was in fact on the "Flintshire's" starboard bow.

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She was put again on her original course of South 2 degs. West. The other vessel's signals appeared to be broadening on the "Flintshire's" starboard bow. At 7.14 a.m. the "Flintshire's" engines were put half ahead. At 7.15 a.m. those on the "Flintshire" heard two long blasts from the other vessel, and that, signal, indicating that the other vessel was dead in the water, continued at regulation intervals. At 7.20 a.m. the "Flintshire's" engines were put slow ahead, and at 7.27 a.m. as those on board the "Flintshire" were suspicious of the correctness of the "Yarraville's" two blast signal the "Flintshire's" engines were stopped. At 7.33 a.m. a single blast was heard from the "Yarraville" and almost simultaneously a ripple was seen on the water and the "Yarraville" emerged from the fog crossing the "Flintshire's" bows from starboard to port. The "Flintshire's" engines were put full astern and her helm hard port. At 7.34 a.m. the vessels were in collision. The "Yarraville's" course then being estimated by those in the "Flintshire" as approximately True east.

The "Yarraville" when she first encountered fog was proceeding at a speed of 11 knots. When she ran into fog she put her engines to standby and continued at full speed until a time which she gives as 7.23 a.m. She states that she then heard a whistle apparently fine on the port bow whereupon her engines were stopped. She then alleges that at 7.30 a.m. she had run all her way off and was dead in the water, and she then sounded the first of a series of two blast signals.

SERIOUS DISCREPANCY

From these two accounts it is clear that there is a serious discrepancy between the recollection of those in the "Flintshire" and those in the "Yarraville." After careful consideration of all the evidence I have no hesitation in accepting the times given by the "Flintshire" wherever such conflict exists.

It has not been contended that the "Yarraville" was not in fault, and I find her in default in four separate respects.

(i) On her own showing, from 6.55 a.m. when she ran into fog she continued at her full speed of 11 knots until 7.23 a.m. That speed, I am satisfied, was in such circumstances excessive.

(ii) If her speed at 7.23 a.m. was 11 knots through the water I find

it impossible to believe that without taking any retarding action except stopping the engines at 7.23 a.m. she could have been dead in the water at 7.30 nor am I impressed by the sufficiency of the steps taken by Captain East and Mr. Boyd to satisfy themselves that in fact she had all way off by that time. I am satisfied that the "Yarraville" sounded the two blast signal some time before she was dead in the water.

(iii) The startling admission by both Captain East and Mr. Boyd that in a fog, with engines stopped and with an appreciable south easterly swell neither of them took the trouble to observe the compass or in any way to ascertain how their ship was heading is almost incredible. There is evidence that the "Yarraville" fell off her course 65 or 70 degrees to starboard, and indeed it is only on the assumption that she so fell off that I can understand the evidence that the "Flintshire's" signals were heard on the "Yarraville's" port bow.

(iv) At 7.33 a.m. the "Yarraville" put her engines half ahead and her helm hard starboard, all at a time when no officer on board took the trouble to observe their own heading and when they had no means of knowing how the "Flintshire" was heading.

So far as the second of these faults is concerned I am unable to hold that it in fact contributed to the collision. It is clear from the evidence of Captain Christie and Mr. Munday that at least as early as 7.27 a.m. they had formed a suspicion amounting virtually to a conviction that the two blast signal from the "Yarraville" was fallacious and that in fact she still had way on her and was moving through the water, and I cannot therefore hold that they were misled by that signal.

LIABILITY ADMITTED

Mr. D'Almada while frankly admitting the liability of the "Yarraville" has argued that the "Flintshire" also was at fault. A 7.27 a.m. the "Flintshire's" engines were stopped, but, says Mr. D'Almada, that precautionary measure was not sufficient, and she ought to have gone astern, at the same time taking appropriate helm action to minimise swing. The "Flintshire" throughout had kept her course with the exception of a one point porting for two minutes which would take her further away from the "Yarraville." From 7.20 a.m. to 7.27 a.m. her engines had been at slow ahead so that at 7.27 a.m. her speed would not be more than 4 knots, and the evidence is that when she sighted the "Yarraville" her speed through the water was not more than two knots.

The conclusion to which I have come, and which I am advised is a proper one, is that the "Flintshire" was at all times navigated in a proper and seamanlike manner, and that no degree of responsibility for the collision can be attributed to her.

It follows therefore that in my judgment the "Yarraville" is solely to blame for the collision with the "Flintshire."



Mr. and Mrs. Francis K. S. Chan who were married at the Rosary Church on July 1. The bride was formerly Miss Bertha Cam.—(King's Studio).

NEWSETTES

Mr. G. W. Giffen, of the editorial staff of the Hongkong Telegraph, arrived in Hongkong on Thursday.

Prof. Paul M. A. Linebarger, of Duke University, North Carolina, arrived in Hongkong on Thursday on his way to Chungking.

Miss R. Mather, of the American Baptist Mission, Shanghai, passed through Hongkong yesterday on her way to Manila.

Miss C. L. McElwain, of St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Shanghai, was a passenger to Manila through Hongkong yesterday.

Mr. G. Treverton, Private Secretary to His Excellency the Acting Governor, is expected to return to the Colony on Tuesday next.

His Excellency the Acting Governor will receive the Po Leung Kuk Committee for 1938, 1939 and 1940 at Government House at noon on Monday.

Mr. J. B. Harrison, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. (S.C.) Ltd., arrived in Hongkong on Thursday from the north.

Mr. A. Dewar, manager for China, West Coast Life Insurance Co., arrived in Hongkong on Thursday from Shanghai.

Mr. J. V. Crowe, of the Ford Motor Co., Export Inc., Shanghai, passed through Hongkong from the north on Tuesday.

Mr. J. E. Henry, of Reuters, Ltd., Singapore, was a passenger to Manila through Hongkong on Thursday.

Mr. A. Katz, of the Cathay Cold Storage Co., Shanghai, passed through Hongkong yesterday on his way to Manila.

The Police Mahjong Drive which was arranged to take place on Monday in aid of the S.C.M.P. War Fund has been cancelled.

Mr. B. H. Stearns, passenger agent, Canadian Pacific Railway Co., Manila, was a passenger to Manila through Hongkong on Thursday, accompanied by Mrs. Stearns.

St. Andrew's Club Bathing Picnic, which was arranged for today, has been cancelled. Bathing picnics may, however, be resumed next Saturday if there is sufficient inducement.

RISE IN COST OF ESSENTIAL
FOODSTUFFS AND COMMODITIES
DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS

The following table of average prices, prepared by a Hongkong Daily Press reporter yesterday, gives a splendid idea of the rise in cost of essential food stuffs commodities during the last three years. The increase during the last week is exceptionally striking.

Commodity	Before Sino-Japanese War	Before European War	Week Ago	Present
Rice	\$6 per picul	\$7	\$10	\$12
Firewood	\$1 per picul	\$1.20	\$2.50	\$3
Kitchen Oil	20 cents per catty	25 cts.	35 cts.	38.5 cts.
Salt	3 cts. per 2 catties	3 cts. per catty	4 cts.	5 cts.
Pork	40 cts. per catty	60 cts.	80 cts.	\$1.50
Beef	28 cts. per catty	40 cts.	50 cts.	\$1
Chicken	80 cts. per catty	\$1	\$1.50	\$2.40

The commodities mentioned (chicken excluded) are of vital concern to 85 per cent. of the population of the Colony.

Volunteer Orders

ORDERS BY LT.-COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT,
HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

RECRUITS MEDICAL
EXAMINATION
July 12, H.Q., 5.30 p.m. Orderly Medical Officer—Lt. A. M. Rodriguez.

AMENDMENTS TO VOLUNTEER
ORDINANCE

The following proviso is added at the end of Regulation 3 (5)—Provided however that, during the period that the provisions of the Compulsory Service Ordinance, 1939, continue in force, and notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing paragraph, all members of an Auxiliary unit shall attend such drills and instruction parades as may be ordered by the Commandant with the approval of the Governor and the General Officer Commanding the Troops. Regulation 3 (4) is amended by the substitution of the words "forty-six years" for the words "forty-one years" in both cases in which the latter words occur.

EVACUATION SCHEME

Attention is directed to the notification published in the local press requiring all members H.K. V.D.C. who have wives and families who are not already evacuated or have been exempted or are of British Portuguese Race to forward the following particulars in writing to the Adjutant (envelopes to be marked "H.K.V.D.C. Evacuation Scheme").

(a) Nationality.
(b) Numbers of adults affected (stating relationship to member).
(c) Numbers of children affected.

(d) Whether it is desired for those affected to be evacuated if possible or, in the event of an emergency, to be housed and fed under arrangements to be made by Government.

GAS INSTRUCTORS COURSE
July 18, H.Q., 5.15 p.m. All available unit gas instructors. Sound film on gas training followed by a lecture by Captain V. C. Branson, M.C.

PARADES
Corps Artillery

Dress for all day training for all C.R. in 1, 2, 3 and 4 Bys.
Helmet, shirt, shorts, puttees, rolled down black boots, full web equipment with haversack, anti-gas respirator, water bottle filled. Overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried, also steel helmets, spoon, fork, knife, plate and mug.

2nd Battery
July 9, H.Q., for Bluff Head, 8 a.m.

3rd Battery
July 9, H.Q., 5.30 p.m. Change of kit.

4th Battery
July 9, H.Q., for Pakshawan, 8 a.m.

5th A.A. Battery
July 9, H.Q., 7.30 a.m. No. 1 Section. Full day's training. Dress—S.D. caps, shirt, trousers, boots, full web equipment including haversack and water bottle filled. Spare shirt, overalls and G.P. shoes to be carried in haversack as well as knife, fork and plate.

July 9, H.Q., 5.30 p.m. No. 2 Section. Rifle course. Dress—S.D. caps, shirt, trousers, boots and web equipment less haversack and water bottle.

Field Company Engineers
July 8, K.C.R., 5.30 p.m. Arms drill.

Corps Signals

July 8, H.Q., 5.15 p.m. (i) Group A. Morse—Flag pairs, Semaphore, pairs. (ii) Group B and Group C. Victoria Barracks. (iii) Recruits. Morse instruction.

July 10, H.Q., 2 p.m. (i) Kit inspection parade. All uniform and equipment will be brought to H.Q. Spares will be carried in kit bag. (ii) Area Lines Tests. No. 1 Coy. and No. 2 Coy. Areas. (iii) Remainder. Signal training. (iv) D.R. Duty runs.

Mobile Column
July 10, H.Q., 8.30 a.m. All ranks (No exemptions unless previously authorized by O.C.) Dress—R.T.R. Caps, black boots, web equipment, anti-gas respirators.

Armoured Car Platoon
July 8, 5.30 p.m. Hung Hom. Crew drill and driving instruction.

Motor Machine Gun Platoon
July 8, 5.30 p.m. Hung Hom. Those detailed (Driving instruction). Remainder—full parade at H.Q., 5.30 p.m.

No. 1 Company
July 8. Full day's training under Platoon arrangements as in Company circular.

July 9, H.Q. Those detailed by Platoon Commanders.

No. 2 Company
July 9, 5.30 p.m. Nos. 5 and 7 Platoons at H.Q. and No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock. Kit inspection parades. Dress—Helmet, K.D. jacket, shorts, khaki hose tops, flashes, puttees, boots, belt and pouches. At these parades all clothing and equipment issued, with the exception of steel helmet, greatcoat, kit and S.B.R., must be produced for inspection.

No. 3 Company
July 8, H.Q., 8.15 p.m. Dress—Helmet, shirt, shorts, pouches, haversacks, water bottle, filled. Respirators will not be taken. Training as in Company circular.

July 9. Recruits and those detailed at H.Q. at 5.15 p.m.

No. 4 Company
July 8, H.Q., 7.30 p.m. for Hongkong men and Kowloon Railway Station, 8 a.m. for Kowloon men. Field training at Fanning. All day. Compulsory. Dress—Boots, puttees, hosiery, shorts, shirts, helmets. Full equipment. Belts, pouches, haversacks on back, water bottle filled, frogs, rifle slings. Knives and forks will be brought.

July 9, H.Q., 5.30 p.m. Those detailed for extra L.G. instruction.

No. 5 Company
July 9, H.Q., 8 a.m. Dress—Boots, puttees, hosiery, shorts, shirts, helmets, belts, pouches, haversacks and water bottles filled. Knives and forks must be carried.

July 9, H.Q., 5.15 p.m. Film—"3-inch Mortar."

No. 6 Company
July 9, H.Q., 5.15 p.m. N.C.O.'s Class.

Army Service Corps Company
July 9, H.Q., 5.30 p.m. Duty Sections not available for Thursday parade. L.M.G. and S.A.T. Rifle. C.S.M. will arrange to draw stores according to training programme.

Field Ambulance
July 9, H.Q. Coy. Parade, 8.30 a.m. Under Lt. Stout.

July 10, H.Q., 8.30 a.m. A Coy. parade under Lt. Scott.

Dress—Shorts, shirts, sun helmet, boots, puttees, hosiery, haversack, water bottle, knife and fork.

Exercise will be over Area II.

July 10 and 12, H.Q., 2.15 p.m. Dress—Muti.

E. N. Thursby, Captain. Adjutant H.K.V.D. Corps.

AFFILIATED UNIT
Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

A.R.P. LECTURE
July 10, A.R.P. H.Q., Happy Valley, 5.45 p.m.

HOSPITAL ATTACHMENT

The under-mentioned members were attached to Military Hospital for training during the period shown.

Mrs. M. G. Matthews—24/6/40—1/7/40. Mrs. F. D. Barnett—24/6/40—1/7/40.

STRENGTH-DECREASE

Miss B. Redwood—25/6/40. Mrs. B. Tomlinson—28/6/40. Mrs. A. Moffatt—29/6/40. Mrs. D. R. Holmes—30/6/40.

PRACTICAL BANDAGING CLASS

July 8, H.Q., 10.30 a.m.

BLOOD DONORS

To attend Military Hospital Bowen Road, on Thursday, July 11, 5.30 p.m. for test. Uniform will be worn. Transport leaves H.Q. at 5.15 p.m.

FIRST AID LECTURES

Commence on Friday, July 12, 5.30 p.m., St. John's Cathedral Hall.

HOME NURSING LECTURES

Commence on Monday, July 15, 5.30 p.m., St. John's Cathedral Hall. All Mobile members must attend these lectures and also take the examination at the end.

HOME NURSING EXAMINATION
July 17 and 19, at 4.30 p.m. at Helena May Institute. Members will be notified by circular in due course.

(Sgd.) Mrs. L. M. S. Brande—
Commandant,
Nursing Detachment,
H.K.V.D. Corps.
(To be Continued)

TWO PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS IN SUCCESSIVE YEARS NOT IDEAL ARRANGEMENT, SAYS MR. GOODBAN

Diocesan Boys' School Annual Speech Day

Some criticisms of the present public examination system for matriculation to Hongkong University were made in the course of his address at the annual Speech Day of the Diocesan Boys' School yesterday by the Headmaster, Mr. G. A. Goodban, M.A.

Mr. Goodban said he would like to draw attention to one or two points of interest with regard to the Matriculation and School Certificate Examinations.

First, Mr. Goodban said, a number of boys each year, after successfully having gained a School Certificate, were not able after a further year's work to pass Matriculation. Two public examinations in successive years, he suggested, could not be regarded as an ideal arrangement.

A more important fact, Mr. Goodban continued, was that there still appeared to be a discrepancy between the attitude of the University and that of the Education Department towards students from overseas.

"The University definitely encourages them," Mr. Goodban said. "But the regulations governing the non-English languages in the School Certificate Examination are a definite discouragement to certain overseas boys, both Chinese and others, and may exclude from all hopes of success in the examination a promising student whom the University a year later would gladly welcome."

Continuing on the same subject, Mr. Goodban said, "My own belief is that we in Hongkong should welcome both overseas Chinese and foreign boys, for our own sakes as well as theirs, that we should be glad that these two public examinations are regarded as setting a standard in the Far East; and that the regulations of the School Certificate should be so framed that without injuring the interests of local boys, overseas pupils should have as fair a chance of

passing as they have of success in the Matriculation examination."

MR. SOLLIS' REPLIES

Replying to the criticism by Mr. Goodban, Mr. C. G. Sollis, the Director of Education, who was present to distribute the prizes, said that the Headmaster had "trilled his coat temptingly."

"I do not, however, intend on this occasion to tread very heavily on it," Mr. Sollis said. "I will only say that in my opinion the Hongkong Education Department must concern itself first and foremost with the needs of Hongkong children."

"As far as our Anglo-Chinese schools are concerned, the more important language question seems to me—what part should the English and Chinese languages respectively play in our local system of education? Some aspects of this question will shortly come under review by a sub-committee which the Board of Education has recently appointed."

TROUBLED TIMES

Speaking of education in the troubled times of the present, Mr. Sollis said that local schools had been comparatively lucky. "By this I mean that they have not had to put up with dislocation and difficulties of the kind which many schools elsewhere have had to face."

"Not that things here have been altogether easy, as a result of war requirements, some schools have had to lose members of their staffs, and the teachers who have had to shoulder additional burdens.

TIME WILL COME WHEN FRANCE WILL CLEAR HER NATIONAL HONOUR

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter).—The Daily Telegraph commenting on the action against the French Fleet, says Pétain has well and truly earned the title "Fuehrer of France" which Hitler now gives him. The time will come when France will clear her national honour.

The paper expresses stern approval and says that history records no such conditions as those with which our Government was faced.

"Never before has one of two deeply pledged Allies withdrawn singly from a war and in the act surrendered to the enemy an undefeated Fleet which could be used to inflict mortal injury upon a friend fighting on in a common cause."

"Both as foes and friends we have learnt of the honour of the French Navy. Its gallant tradition has been splendidly maintained in this war."

ZEALOUS FRIEND

"Mr. Churchill, of all living statesmen, has proved himself the most constant and zealous friend of France, and his words will make the world realise that the Government's duty is inexorable."

Continuing, the Daily Telegraph points out that it is significant that Hitler has given instructions to French warships to scuttle themselves, if in trouble.

"The Nazi devotion to scuttling thus reasserts itself," concludes the paper. "This action by securing the French Fleet confirmed our command of the sea and has shown the supreme efficiency and the tremendous striking power of our Navy."

HORRIBLE BUT NECESSARY

Horrible but necessary, is the verdict passed on the tragic episode of the French navy by the British press which uncompromisingly supports the Government's action.

The Times says it is a most painful story. It could only be made tolerable by maintaining a clear distinction between the Government at Clermont-Ferrand and the fighting men who felt it their duty to obey its orders. Sympathising as we all do with

the soldier, and sailors, of France in their tragic dilemma, justice to them forbids any compunction in describing the action of Pétain and his colleagues.

In making their surrender these Ministers have not become neutral; they have changed sides and are now agents of the enemy. Admiral Gensoul chose to fight under the orders of the Franco-German armistice commission. If so, not he but the servile French Government and their German masters must be blamed for the useless loss of many French lives.

TINGED BLACK

The Daily Mail says there will be no gloating. The whole episode is tinged black with the crime of the Leksipille Bordeaux Government.



Mr. and Mrs. Chou Sun-sang (formerly Miss Cheung Wal-cho) after their Registry wedding. (King's Studio)

"I am glad to say that these have been willingly and cheerfully shouldered and as a result schools have managed to carry on and maintain a satisfactory standard."

NEW CODES

Speaking of grant-in-aid schools, Mr. Sollis said, "New codes for the grant-in-aid schools and the subsidised schools, have been completed and I hope that it will be possible for them to receive final approval as soon as the future is more certain."

"You know what an important part the grant schools, of which the Diocesan Boys' School is one, play in our local education system; and it is my belief that the new grant code will enable them to render even better service than they have done in the past."

In concluding his address, Mr. Sollis said he would congratulate those who had won prizes and offer his commendations to those who had not. He would hope, for all the boys, that their training at school had done something to help them face the future with level heads and stout hearts.

This year, as last year, there was a hobbles exhibition and the school magazine was on sale to visitors. A model aeroplane competition was to have been held as part of the programme but this had to be abandoned because of the high wind prevailing.

Present on the platform at the distribution of prizes were the Bishop of Hongkong, the Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall, who was in the chair, Mr. C. G. Sollis, Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowling, O. B. E., Mr. E. Cock, M. B. E., the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Prof. L. Forster, Mr. B. C. Randall, Mr. Justice E. H. Williams, and the Headmaster.

ADMIRAL NOBLE

Bishop Hall read an extract from a letter written to the Headmaster by Admiral Sir Percy Noble, expressing his regret that he was not able to be present with Lady Noble at the Prize-Giving.

"I hope very sincerely that your pupils when they go out into the world will find a better and happier atmosphere than we are experiencing at present, and that they will have continued peace during their lives," Admiral Noble wrote.

ANNUAL REPORT

Presenting his annual report, Mr. Goodban said, in part—

"The numbers in the school this year have reached a total of 470, a figure second only to the record of 1938-9. The number of classes, however, has remained the same, and thus it has been possible to keep them at a more satisfactory size."

The health of the school has again been excellent."

I am sometimes perplexed at the number of requests I receive from charitable organisations to be allowed to make a collection in the school. Sometimes as many as three such requests may come in a single month."

It is hard to refuse without seeming uncharitable, but while it is important that the giving of money should be regarded as a privilege and duty, an organised collection in the school may not secure that such giving is either entirely voluntary or made from knowledge and conviction."

FUEHRER OF THE FRENCH GOVT.

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter).—Commenting on France's proposed Governmental changes, semi-official circles in London quote the description applied to Marshal Pétain by the German official News Agency which calls him the Fuehrer of the French Government.

The newspaper, Petit Parisien, yesterday, said that the French nation, confident, disciplined and resolute, waits the decision Marshal Pétain was about to take.

Other newspapers re-echo this view.

CENSORSHIP

It should be remembered, however, the censorship has played a big part in France since early June. At one time France had only one paper issued and controlled by the Government.

Now although many further French papers have resumed circulation there are signs that the hand of the censor has not been lifted appreciably.

UNITED STATES AND DEMANDS BY JAPAN

No Disposition To Meet Them

NEW YORK, July 5 (Reuter).—"Administration leaders remain silent on the Japanese naval spokesman's assertion that the abandonment by the United States of 'unwarrantable interference and obstruction of Japan's policies on the Far Eastern continent' was needed to relieve concern over United States-Japan relations," states an Associated Press Washington despatch.

It adds, "Informed quarters interpret the United States position in a different light and here is no apparent disposition at present to meet any of the conditions Japan has demanded."

MANY FACTORS

"But how long can it be maintained under the new conditions depends on many factors, chiefly Britain's ability to repel an invasion and keep her fleet."

"Britain's seizure of units of the French Fleet, therefore, has aroused more than passing interest in official quarters here."

"It appears that Japan, like the United States, is waiting for European developments before going all out on the enforcement of her new 'Asiatic Monroe Doctrine'."

HALIFAX DEFENDS BRITISH ACTION

The statement made by Lord Halifax in the House of Lords was similar in substance to that of Mr. Winston Churchill in the House of Commons.

Concluding his speech, Lord Halifax said, "It is melancholy to reflect that the magnificent ships of the French Navy should have been prevented by their government from continuing the struggle with their comrades in arms against the common foe, but should rather have been ordered to resist their former comrades in order that they might place themselves under enemy control."

"The officers and men of the French Navy were placed in a position which must have seemed to them well-nigh intolerable."

"As regards the government of Pétain, I am bound to observe that they have placed the redemption of their promise to the enemy before their solemn pledge to their Ally, and this brought to a point of cruel dilemma the position in which His Majesty's Government were placed."

SHARP RESENTMENT

"But it is not on reproaches or recriminations that the Government would rest their case. It is inevitable that what has passed, distorted as it will be by enemy propaganda, must create sharp resentment from France, where already the distress of the war and the harsh conditions of the armistice have strained public opinion almost to breaking point."

"It is not difficult to realise what will likely be the feelings among the officers and men of the French Navy, among members of the French Government and the French people."

"Nor is it necessary to translate into words the feelings which are uppermost in our minds and all those who have thought that on the close union of the United Kingdom and France depended the victory of our common cause and who still think that the relations of our two countries must for good or ill be powerful in the future world."

"But it is also true and it is on this fact that the Government based their action, that it is only through victory for British arms that the liberation of France herself can be achieved (Cheers)."

WHATEVER THE COST

"Therefore, we in this country, who are determined to resist to the end and whatever the cost, the German attempt to dominate Europe, must rely upon the power of the French nation sooner or later to appreciate the final purpose of the British people and to judge fairly the cruel choice which the French Government, under German pressure, had so unhappily imposed upon us" (Loud and prolonged applause).

Throughout Lord Halifax's statement and remarks of the subsequent speakers, there was obvious and vigorous sympathy from all quarters of the House.

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DAYLIGHT ATTACKS ON ENEMY OIL PLANTS

Night Raids By R.A.F. In Spite Of Bad Weather

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter).—There were more large scale night and day bombing raids by the R.A.F. on the Continent, announced the Air Ministry in a communique, stating that "during yesterday R.A.F. bombers carried out daylight attacks on enemy oil plants, lines of communication and storage depots."

"Concentrations of barges near Rotterdam and Schoonhooven were bombed."

"Aerodromes at Evere, in Belgium, and Ypenburg, in Holland, were also attacked, and troop-carrying and other aircraft were set on fire. Others were damaged. All our aircraft returned safely."

"During the night, in spite of unfavourable weather conditions, aerodromes at Sachet, in Germany, Dekoo, in Holland, and Melville, in France, were attacked. One of our aircraft is missing."

GERMANS SAY 751

"The German High Command claim that 75 British aircraft have been destroyed between June 23

NEW RUMANIAN GOVERNMENT

BUCHAREST, July 5 (Reuter).—M. Gligor has formed a new National Government, strongly anti-Semitic and pro-German in character.

Several of the new Ministers were members of the Goga anti-Jewish Cabinet in 1938 and other members of the Iron Guard.

AXIS SYSTEM

BUCHAREST, July 5 (Reuter).—The new Rumanian Cabinet, in a declaration, describes its foreign policy as a "sincere integration in the system created by the Berlin-Rome-Axis."

PROVISIONAL LIST

A provisional list includes Vice-Premier, Gen. Ionescu, Minister of Interior, Gen. Popescu, Minister of Finance, M. Eugene Savu, Foreign Minister, M. Mihal Monilescu, a member of the Iron Guard recently arrived from Germany.

POLICY OF NEUTRALITY

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter).—The new Rumanian Government adheres to the policy of neutrality but will intensify Rumania's relations with the Axis Powers, according to a communique issued after its first meeting last night, quoted by the Swiss radio.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., July 5

Barometer (at sea level), 29.59 in.

Temperature, 81 F.

Humidity, 81 per cent.

Wind Direction, ENE.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Temperature; maximum yesterday, 85 F.

Temperature; minimum last night, 76 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, 1.04 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 70.75 ins.

Against an average of, 40.66 ins.

Sunset tonight, 7.11 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 5.43 a.m.

4 p.m., July 5.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.55 in.

Temperature, 79 F.

Humidity, 91 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.

Maximum temperature, 65 F.

Minimum temperature, 76 F.

Rainfall, 0.73.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 6 to 12 July 1940.

Day of Week	Date	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Time	Height	Time	Height
Sat.	6	h.m.	ft. in.	h.m.	ft. in.
		09 08	7.7	02 29	2.8
		23 00	4.4	16 24	0.1
Sun.	7	09 04	7.8	02 25	2.7
		23 09	4.6	17 13	0.0
Mon.	8	10 40	7.6	01 10	2.7
				17 55	0.2
Tues.	9	09 34	4.6	04 57	2.7
		11 20	7.3	16 25	0.6
Wed.	10	01 06	4.8	05 56	2.6
		15 54	6.6	19 15	1.0
Thurs.	11	01 55	5.0	06 55	3.0
		13 35	6.0	20 03	1.6
Fri.	12	02 45	5.2	08 50	3.1
		14 45	6.3	20 47	2.1

BATTLE BETWEEN BRITISH, ITALIANS NEAR MOYALE

LONDON, JULY 5 (REUTER).—DETAILS OF A BATTLE BETWEEN BRITISH AND ITALIAN TROOPS near Moyale (in Kenya on the Abyssinian border) were available in London yesterday.

A British outpost was held by one company of men. A much larger force of Italians crossed the frontier suddenly and attacked the outpost from the rear.

British reinforcements were sent immediately and launched a counter-attack in co-operation with bombers of the Royal Air Force and the South African Air Force.

An R.A.F. communique says that S.A.A.F. bombers made direct hits on gun emplacements and blew up an ammunition dump.

The land force drove the Italians out of British territory and restored the outpost and destroyed four Italian guns.

ALEXANDRIA RAID

CAIRO, July 5 (Reuter).—A Naval communique states that during an Italian air raid on Alexandria yesterday 32 bombs were dropped but there was only slight damage, and the casualties were three killed and four slightly injured. One bomb fell in King Farouk's estate.

ENEMY WITHDRAW

CAIRO, July 5 (Reuter).—A British war communique says, "In the Western Desert the enemy advanced yesterday against Sollum but subsequently withdrew."

"On the Kenya front on Tuesday, supported by artillery and aircraft, the enemy made three unsuccessful assaults on Moyale. Our casualties were slight."

"On the other fronts there is nothing to report."

CHINESE AIR RAID OVER ICHANG

AN UNDISCLOSED BASE, July 5 (Central).—Chinese aircraft again raided the Japanese around Ichang yesterday.

Tons of explosives were dumped upon Japanese concentrations at Nianzhekwan near Ichang, exacting a heavy toll of lives.

Two Japanese fighters came to challenge the Chinese aircraft. In the ensuing air combat one of them was shot down in flames and the other heavily punctured by bullets.

All Chinese aircraft were safe.

Kweichow To Stamp Out Corruption

KWEIYANG, July 5 (Central).—The Kweichow Provincial Government has taken drastic actions to stamp out corruption among the officials in the province.

From January, 1939, to June 30, 1940, over 20 cases of corruption have been unearthed and the culprits given due punishment.

Two of the offenders, Liu Tzu-yung and Hsieh Hsueh-chen were executed for extortion and harbouring bandits respectively.

According to the Waikiki News, a secret agreement concerning the Suez Canal was reached between France, Germany and Italy during the armistice negotiations, says Reuter.

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Preachers: Morning—Rev. E. Moreton; Evening—Rev. J. E. Sandbach.

Morning Parade Service at 10.15 a.m. Hymn 930, Prayer, Hymn 917, First Lesson, Hymn 907, Second Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offering, Hymn 314, Sermon, Hymn 382, Benediction. Evening Service at 7 p.m. Hymn 696, Prayer, Hymn 696, Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offering, Hymn 916, Sermon, Hymn 967, Benediction.

The morning service to be followed by the Lord's Supper.

NOTICES FOR WEEK

Following the evening service at Social Hour will be held at 8 & 8 Home at 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians warmly welcomed. All meetings of the L.C.A. are suspended until further notice. There will be a meeting for prayer and fellowship at 8 & 8 Home on Tuesday, at 8.30 p.m.

CHRIST CHURCH

(KOWLOON TONG)

Corporate Communion & Parish Breakfast.

7th Sunday after Trinity, 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion, 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Choral Eucharist and Sermon. Preacher: The Vicar. Hymns: 276, 396, 327, 482. At this service there will be an investiture of two new servers, 11. Morning Prayer, in Mandarin, 8.30 p.m. Evening, and Sermon. The Vicar will begin a course of sermons on Jeremiah. Week-day services and notices: Wednesday, July 10, Wolf Club meet at 3 Duke St. at 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, July 11, Holy Communion at 7.15 a.m. Guild of St. Andrew and Mary weekly meeting in the Vicarage at 10 a.m.

CATHOLIC NEWS & NOTES

A QUEEN OF PORTUGAL: MONASTIC CRYPT AS AIR-RAID SHELTER

NEXT MONDAY IS THE FEAST OF ST. ELIZABETH, who was Queen of Portugal at the beginning of the fourteenth century. She was named Elizabeth after her great-aunt, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, but she is known in Portuguese history by the Spanish form of that name, Isabel. She was the daughter of the King of Aragon and was married when very young to King Denis of Portugal.

He was known for his hard work in his country's service—and was therefore called Re Lavrador, the working king—but also for his disolute life. The pious queen had a great deal to suffer but she did much to improve the moral tone of the Court and she induced many to follow her in her great charity to the poor.

She has been called "the peace-maker" for her success on more than one occasion in preventing war.

AIR-RAID SHELTER

Those who have to deal with London publishers are familiar with Paternoster Row, Amen Corner, Carmelite House, and other names which are obvious relics of the days when monastic institutions covered the area now occupied by the publishers. Many a visitor to this district has been shown the 700 year old crypt of a Carmelite monastery which is reached by a narrow turning off Fleet St. It has a morbid attraction of sight-seers because of the bones in it, though other relics such as coins and pottery have been collected in cases to form a miniature air-raid shelter which was prepared beside it.

The Carmelite monastery to which the crypt belonged was built in the reign of Edward I, in 1241. It was known as Mount Carmel, and the garden used to extend to the present Whitefriars St. and Carmelite St. After the suppression of the monasteries the building was destroyed except for the refectory which was turned into a theatre. This was afterwards destroyed by the Puritan soldiers.

TWO ARTISTS

One of the three official War Artists is a Catholic of Scottish extraction, Lieut. Edward Arlzone, at present an officer in the artillery. He is thirty-nine years of age. Two of his pictures are in the Tate Gallery.

The war affected another Catholic painter, Mr. Simon Elwes, who

was working in New York when the war broke out. He returned at once to England but was told that his services would not be required for six months, so he returned to finish the tasks on which he was engaged. Within the past few years he has come to be recognised as one of the best portrait painters of the day and he is greatly in demand.

He was too young to fight in the last war but entered the army when he was of age and was Captain of an armoured car company when he resigned to devote himself to painting. He is a grandson of the Earl of Denbigh and a son of the late Gervase Elwes, the famous tenor who gave up a diplomatic career for singing and was killed in a railway accident in the United States.

COLLEGES OF SPAIN

The La Salle Brothers took a very active part in re-organising the work of education in Spain at the end of the Civil War, and they had over a hundred schools open within one year of the conclusion of peace. Their buildings as well as their members suffered greatly during the war and a great deal of reconstruction was necessary.

In Catalonia, for instance, where they had thirty-nine schools, every one of them was sacked and many of them completely destroyed, while the Provincial and ninety-three other Brothers were put to death in this province alone.

In the area around Madrid the same happened. With the exception of a few schools that were behind the Nationalist lines, all were pillaged and sixty-one Brothers were put to death. In all there were 163 Brothers massacred during the Civil War, so the number of teachers is still inadequate for the needs of all the schools. The Brothers were among the greatest sufferers in Spain but they were also among the first to get their work in full swing again.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

July 7.—7th Sunday after Trinity. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 8 a.m. Holy Communion in Peak Church. 11 a.m. Choral Eucharist. Preacher: The Bishop. 7 p.m. Evensong. Preacher: The Dean.

Week-days
Holy Communion is celebrated on—Thursday at 7.30 a.m. Friday at 7.45 a.m. (in Cantonese). Wednesday, Prayer for the sick at 10.15 a.m.

Other Notices: July 8, 3 p.m. Badminton, Cathedral Hall. July 12, 5.30 p.m. Choir Practice, Cathedral.

Children's Service and Kindergarten are temporary suspended and will be re-started on the 1st Sunday in September.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services at the Catholic Cathedral, Caine Road:

8th Sunday after Pentecost: Morning services: 1st Mass at 8 a.m. with sermon in Chinese, 2nd Mass at 8.30 a.m., High Mass followed by the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament, 3rd Mass at 10 a.m. with sermon in English. Evening services: at 8.30 Catechetical instruction, at 4. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction. July 8 St. Elizabeth, Queen of Portugal. July 11 Blessed Oliver Plunkett. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 5.30 p.m. July 13 High Requiem Mass for the Holy Souls at 7.30 a.m. On week days Mass at 6 and 7.30. Confessions morning and evening.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

7th July 8th Sunday after Pentecost. First Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m. Second Mass at 10 a.m., followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. This Service will be broadcast.

Sermon by Rev. Father T. Ryan S.J. on "The Church and Social Justice." On week days, Holy Mass at 8 a.m. Confessions are heard every day, before and after Mass. On Saturdays, the special time for Confessions is from 4.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

LESSON SERMON

Subject: God.

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow, July 7, will be: "God."

The Golden Text will be: "Blessing and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen." (Revelation 7: 12.)

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH

The Gallers Home and Seamen's Institute Hongkong.

7th Sunday after Trinity, 8 a.m. Holy Communion 3 p.m. Short Evening Service. Preacher Rev. Cyril Brown. Lunch Bathing Plovers for Seafarers on Saturday & Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

N.B.—The Church is open to the general public.

ST. TERESA'S CHURCH

Saturday: at 5 p.m. Meeting of St. Teresa's C.Y.L.A. 8th Sunday after Pentecost: 6.30 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in Chinese. 8 a.m. Choral Mass, Sermon in English and Benediction. 9 a.m. Meeting of Children of Mary. 10 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in English. 11 a.m. Meeting of the Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society. On week-days: Holy Mass at 8.30 and 7.15 a.m. The Novena to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel at 7.15 a.m.

EMMANUEL CHURCH

218 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Sunday, 10 a.m. Holy Communion Service; 11 a.m. Morning Service, Preacher, Mr. Kovacs, 2.45 p.m. Sunday School, 3 p.m. Young Men's Bible Study Circle, 7.30 p.m. Song Service, 8 p.m. Evening Service. Preacher, Rev. C. Pennington. The Thursday Morning Bible Study Circle will be discontinued during the summer months. Other fixtures as usual. Owing to the Evacuation the Bible Union Meeting is cancelled.

New Lin Sen Scholarship

CHUNGKING, July 5 (Central)

The Ministry of Education has announced that competitive examinations will be held in August for selecting a student to be sent to the United States to specialise in steel-making on a scholarship from President Lin Sen's Seventieth Birthday Foundation Fund. The Lin Sen's Seventieth Birthday Foundation Fund was raised last year by the Chinese people in honour of the President's longevity. The aged statesman, while accepting the pecuniary gift, suggested that it be used profitably for sending a student to the United States each year to pursue studies of most practical value to China.

The Ministry of Education is entrusted with the execution of the project in co-operation with the National Tsinghua University.

Candidates for President Lin Sen's scholarship must be graduates of national or registered universities and must have done two years' research or service after graduation. Graduates from technical colleges are also eligible, but they must have had four years of post-graduate research or service.

The examination papers will be read and judged by a special committee of the National Tsinghua University. Final decision will be made by the Ministry of Education which will also decide which university or college in the United States the successful candidate should attend and the date of his departure for America. He will be given U.S. \$120 a month for his living allowances, in addition to his clothing and travelling expenses.

PASSENGERS

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The following passengers arrived in the Colony from the north on Thursday:

Mr. J. G. Gibson, Mr. J. B. Harrison, Mr. A. Dewar, Col. G. R. Hopkins, Mr. F. Hickman, Mr. E. Mayell, Mr. G. W. Giffen, Prof. P. M. A. Linebarger, Miss Chan Yerk-ken, Mr. J. B. Chan, Mr. and Mrs. Chan Lun-ka, Mr. T. Cheng, Mr. Chu Tin-ng, Mr. and Mrs. Fong Foh-yu, Miss Kong Fong-bik, Mr. Kong Moh-pak, Mr. Lao Jack-sun, Mrs. La Ca-hsu, Miss Lee Young, Mr. Liang Sin-ngu, Mr. Li Ming, Mr. H. Lyon, Mrs. So Kam Wa, Mr. L. F. Tzu, Mr. and Mrs. Wang Cher-hsin, Mr. and Mrs. Wang Ton-chin, Mr. Yang Tam-yu, Mrs. Yang Hung-lun, Miss D. Yang.

IN TRANSIT

The following passed through the Colony: Mr. and Mrs. G. J. M. Geoghegan, Miss A. M. Geoghegan, Mrs. S. B. Harrison, Miss D. S. Harrison, Mrs. E. N. M. Morey, Mrs. E. F. Sturt, Miss C. V. Sturt, Masters G. H. M. H. and R. N. B. Sturt, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Stearns.

Miss A. Williams, Miss M. T. Robson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Coleman, Mr. V. Crowe, Mr. J. E. Henry, Mr. R. B. Jones, Mr. A. Katz, Brig. and Mrs. E. Brandt, Mrs. H. M. E. Campbell, Mrs. C. E. Rea, Miss D. Dobson, Mrs. M. Marie, Mrs. M. du Saetre-Coeur, Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Taylor, Master Taylor, Father L. M. Bond, Father T. M. Olin, Mr. G. Doyle, Father A. A. Norton, Dr. K. M. Sommer, Mrs. T. A. Seely, Master Seely, Mrs. M. Bittmann, Mr. F. Canin, Mrs. M. J. Jones, Mrs. J. Jones, Mr. M. Miranda, Miss K. Mitchell, Mr. P. Nung, Miss V. Bastell, Mr. B. B. Weema, Miss N. Black, Mr. A. O. Cheng, Lt. and Mrs. G. W. Croker, Lt. and Mrs. J. A. Finkel, Mr. Lim Chaan, Mr. Lim Chiock, Mrs. N. Hermandez, Miss H. Jarvis, Mr. O. Lee, Miss R. Mather, Capt. and Mrs. G. C. Mergeris, Mrs. C. Y. McDaniel, Miss C. L. McElwain, Mrs. B. McPherson, Master W. McPherson, Mrs. A. M. Spencer, Mr. P. Solomon, Mrs. A. M. Weaver, and 35 members of the Philippine Athletic team returning after a tour in Japan.

PRINCE BERNHARD

LONDON, July 5 (Reuters)

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands on Thursday morning inspected Dutch warships at a British port.

He reiterated his faith in victory.

Mrs. J. E. Higgs, wife of the Rev. J. E. Higgs, of St. Andrew's Church, left the Colony for Manila yesterday.

RADIO PROGRAMMES

Continued from Page 3

Ten-Ten A Little Prairie Flower; The Best of Friends—Billy Cotton & His Band; Fox-Trot—The Darling of the Guards; The Army Fell for Little Isabel—The Casani Club Orchestra; Waltz-Dreaming; Quickstep—I'll See You in My Dreams—Mantovani's Orchestra for Dancing; Fox-Trots—Sweet Is the Word for You (film Walkie Wedding)—Eddie Carroll & The Casani Club Orchestra; Fox-Trot—My Cabin of Dreams—Roy Fox and His Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trot—You Passed Me By; Tango—Once Only—George Boulanger and His Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Slap That Bass (film "Shall We Dance?")—Shall We Dance (from the film)—Harry Roy and His Orchestra.

11.00 An hour of Variety.

Vocal—Let's All Join In The Chorus with Tommy Handley and His Pals—Intro: Dinky Bell; Don't dilly dally on the way, Nellie Dean; Oh, you beautiful Doll; The Spaniard; the blighted my life; Hello, Hello, who's your lady friend; At Trinity Church; Lily of Laguna; The Man who broke the Bank; Knees up Mother Brown—Tommy Handley and His Pals with Orchestra. Vocal—Whispers In The Dark (film Artists and Models); I Will Pray (Reverend Wishol); Fox-Trot—Day with Orchestra. Vocal—The Laughter Parade (Dawn-Montague)—The Laughter Makers with Orchestra. Vocal—I Bring You A Song—Intro: My Heart Will Never Sing Again; Giannina Misa; I Bring you a Song—The Voice of Romance with Orchestra. Vocal—Blue-beard (Darnell); On the Good Ship Ballyhoo (Darnell)—Warner and Darnell. Two Pieces—Midnight in Mayfair (Nevill Chase); Four Hands on a Piano—Ivor Moreton and Dave Kaye with Drums. Comedienne—Love Laughs at Locksmiths (Gay and Houston); The Eternal Triangle—A Broadcasting Skit—Renee Houston with Orchestra. Organ—Edward German Selection—Quentin Maclean. Orch.—Songs Everybody is Singing—Intro: Love, laugh and love; By the River; He played his Ukulele; Somebody loves you; Dick Turpin's Ride to York; What makes you so adorable; Back again to happy-go-lucky days—New Mayfair Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

12.00 midnight. Close down.

TOMORROW

GRIEG—PIANO CONCERTO IN A MINOR

10—11 a.m. Relay of Service from St. Joseph's Church.

12.15 p.m. Beethoven—Quartet in B Flat Major, Op. 135.

Played by the Budapest String Quartet. Love Tree—Kristen Flagstad. Rondo a Capriccio—in G Major—Brahms.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 B.B.C. Wireless Singers. Where the Bee Sucks (Ara); Come Let us Join the Roundelay (Benle); It was a lover and his Lass (Morley); O Who will o'er the Downs so Free (Pearnell).

1.13 Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Valse Triste. Huolema (Sibelius); Serenade (Volkmann); Flight of the Bumble Bee (Rimsky-Korsakov); The Queen of Sheba—Ballet Music (Goldmark).

1.20 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Festival in Seville. (Albeniz) played by the Philadelphia Symphony Orch. cond. by Stokowski.

1.53 Two Songs by Nan Maryska. Nightingale Song; Don't be Cross (Zeller).

2.00 Grieg—Piano Concerto in A Minor, Op. 16.

Played by Backhaus and the New Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.

2.20 Close down.

7.00 Haydn—"Clock" Symphony No. 101 in D Minor.

Played by the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Bach—Toccatas in C Minor. Played by A. Schmandt.

8.15 Albert Sandier and His Orchestra with Walter Connolly. Orchestra. Duet Violin (Brooks)—Sander Trio. The Doll's Song (Tales of Hoffmann)—Mavis Bennett. Play of Butterflies; Fairy Tale (Heyken)—Orchestra. Wine, Women and Song (Strauss)—Mavis Bennett. Love in Idleness (Macbeth)—Indiana Sweetheart (Hansen) Orchestra. Around the Dance (Charost)—Orchestra.

8.20 Studio—The Fifth of a series of Book Reviews.

8.55 The Bohemians. Melody of the Waltz—1—Gungl.

9.00 London Relay—News Summary.

9.05 "A Christian Looks at the World"—No. 2 "The Spiritual Struggle in Germany—Church and State."

A Recorded talk by The Rev. Nathaniel Micklen, D.D.

9.45 Violin Solo. Sonata (Beethoven)—Francescatti. Romance No. 2 (Schumann)—Remick. Humoresque 4 (Bibulus)—Tumlanik.

10.00 Two Antheams.

O. Saviour of the World (John Goss); God is a Spirit (Stokowski)—St. George's Chapel Choir, Windsor.

11. Fantasia and Fugue on "B.A.C." (Liszt). Played by Guy Wells on the organ of Westminster Cathedral.

10.15 Studio—Sunday Evening Exchange.

10.25 Close down.

Fighters From Australia Progress Of Air Training Scheme

The second contingent of the Second A.I.F. has landed in Egypt. The article below describes the departure from Port Melbourne and recent progress in the Australian air effort.

It was a different atmosphere from that which attended the embarkation of the first contingent some months before. The pier was empty, except for a few groups of officials and veterans of the First A.I.F. on guard duty. There was no crowd of relatives and friends waving flags and throwing streamers. There was only a glimpse of a confused mass of faces as the troop trains sped past the approaches to the pier.

As each ship filled her ports were choked with men until orders were given for release from quarters, and then the upper decks were quickly covered. Men went to the highest vantage points they could find, clustering in the rigging like a dun-coloured swarm of bees.

A band on the after-deck of one of the ships struck up the tunes they had sung on leave trains or in camp, and the men sang their farewell to the homeland they were leaving to defend.

One by one the ships cast off. Outside the harbour more than 100,000 people had stood for 12 hours in wind and rain along the shores of Port Phillip Bay to catch a glimpse of their loved ones. Many a watcher carried a brightly coloured scarf in the hope that it might be distinguishable by at least one pair of eyes on a swarming fore-deck.

But from the shore straining eyes could discern through the mists only the outlines of distant ships, a far-off moving mass. Yet it was enough just to see the transports go, enough that a distant roar of cheering or song was echoed back.

A final inspection of all the ships was made by the commander of the Second A.I.F., Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Blamey. "They are fine men for a big job," he said. "They know what is ahead of them, and they are going to face it with spirit. I know how well they will acquire themselves."

LEARNING TO FLY

There are others in Australia of whom same might be said, for the Empire Air Training Scheme is proceeding apace. Of the 57,000 men required as Australia's contribution to the Scheme 13,340 applicants have been accepted and more than half of these are already undergoing training.

As members of air crews 2,110 have been enlisted, and as air-craftsmen 3,320. In addition, there are 830 fitters enlisted and 2,080 more accepted for training. The number of trainees under instruction at engineering and technical schools is about 2,500.

Actually over 60,000 Australians between the ages of 18 and 35 have sought enlistment, and, though a substantial proportion of these had not the necessary qualifications for training the figure is an encouraging proof of the popularity of the Empire Air Training Scheme among young Australians.

The training of air crews, as well as that of aircraftmen, is now under way. Provision has been made for the establishment of three initial ground training schools, 10 elementary flying schools, eight service flying schools, four air observers' schools, the four bombing and gunnery schools, four wireless and air-gunnery schools, one wireless operators' school, and two air navigation schools.

Plots will undergo eight weeks' training at an elementary school, followed by 18 weeks at a service flying school. Observers will attend an observers' school for 12 weeks, and later be sent to gunnery and navigation schools for six and four weeks. Wireless and gunnery course will extend over 20 weeks.

INSTRUCTORS TRAINED

In addition to obtaining from the Royal Air Force the services of 17 officers and 31 men for instructional purposes, the Government have enlisted 250 experienced civil pilots, with upwards of 100 hours' flying experience, to receive service training as instructors.

Nearly 100 of these have completed their course, and they will teach at elementary training schools.

Of 1,760 aircraft required for training, the United Kingdom Government have undertaken to provide 500 Avro Ansons, 330

RANCHER KING COMES TO TOWN

America's cowboys have traded "chaps" for dungarees, stanothers for a set of spurs, Mr. Alfred L. Wyland, cattle king of New Mexico, stated on his arrival in Singapore recently, says the Malaya Tribune.

"The cowboy of today has to be not only a good horseman, but a good mechanic—he must know his carburetors as well as his saddles, ride a bucking broncho or fix a flat tyre."

Streamlining has invaded the ranch and the great open spaces. High-powered cars, said rancher Myrland, despoil the landscape. Even cowpunchers sport "lizzies" when patrolling the range!

MARCH OF PROGRESS

"The march of progress has robbed the old range of a lot of its romantic appeal, but it had to come," said this Westerner, with a shade of regret.

"The war has not hit the cattle business," cattle business in the U.S. is almost purely a national problem, in other words, home consumption takes care of the cattle that are raised in the States," said Mr. Myrland.

Tall, and with eyes that tell of an open life under glaring sunlight, rancher Myrland has had a colourful life.

Officer in the U.S. Navy in 1917, he was with an American cruiser that, with the British, helped to comb the Pacific for Count Felix von Luckner, whose daring exploits on the Pacific accounted for 21,000,000 worth of Allied shipping.

Sir Kingsley Wood, the new Chancellor of the Exchequer, has appointed as his Parliamentary Private Secretary Sir Edward Campbell, who has held a similar post with Sir Kingsley for many years.

An important meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Hongkong and South China Masonic Benevolent Fund Corporation will be held today at Zealand Hall at 2.50 p.m. Secretaries of all Lodges in the District are requested to attend.

ECONOMIC WAR WILL MAKE ITSELF FELT INCREASINGLY

LONDON, July 5 (REUTERS).—"I BELIEVE THAT THE ECONOMIC WAR IS TELLING AND THAT ECONOMIC PRESSURE IS MAKING ITSELF FELT INCREASINGLY as the war goes and will make itself felt not as a primary weapon, but as an essential auxiliary with the Army, Naval and Air forces, of the defeat of the enemy," said Dr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, yesterday. He was speaking about the prospects of an invasion.

Dr. Dalton said: "We shall never surrender, we shall fight. We shall never put up the white flag. We shall, if need be, die, but we will continue to the last; even if Whitehall is completely blotted out, we shall go on."

There is no question, he continued, that the Government, and the British people it represents, is determined to see this through to the end. "We have made our choice, and, although it will be a great struggle, we intend to achieve total triumph over the enemy."

COME TO SENSES

Dr. Dalton, who fought with the British Army in Italy during the last war, went on to say, "I think the Italians will come to their senses quicker than the Germans."

"They have better sense to come to. They have richer history; it is not their nature to be enemies of mankind."

He continued that he regarded Italy as a potential ally of our cause.

SECRET SESSION

LONDON, July 5 (Reuters).—A secret session on the Ministry of Economic Warfare, will be held next Thursday.

TWO THOUSAND AERO ENGINES A MONTH

WASHINGTON, July 5 (Reuters).—The United States aviation industry is now producing 2,000 aero engines and 500 military planes a month.

By using the plant to the full and employing more skilled labour the output is expected to rise still further shortly.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Friday, July 5, 1940

China Lights (O)	500	\$ 5.80
H.K. Hotels	111	5.80
H.K. Tramways	2,000	3.10
.....	225	3.05
.....	200	14.30
.....	500	14.20
.....	50	14.20
.....	500	14.20
.....	200	14.25
Entertainments	150	6.20
Unions	30	\$15.00

The total value is \$41,430.05.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE, SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Share	Nominal	Friday 5, JULY.	Buyers	Sellers	Share	Nominal
				Banks				
\$1080				H.K. Banks				\$1075
				Do. (Col. Reg.)				283
				Do. (Lon. Reg.)				280
				Chartered Banks				284
				Maritime Bks. "A"				284
				Maritime Bks. "C"				211
				Bank of East Asia				273
				N. C. & S. Banks				80 ct.
				Insurance				
				Canton Insurance				\$218
				Underwriters				\$210
				H.K. Fire				\$160
				Shipping				
				Douglases				\$120
				Steamships				\$104
				Indo-China (Pref.)				\$100
				Indo-China (Def.)				\$100
				Shells				\$670
				Waterboats				\$6.90
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
				H.K. & S. Wharves				\$95
				Provident				\$310
				H.K. Docks (Old)				\$144
				H.K. Docks (New)				\$144
				Shanghai Docks				\$214
				Mining				
				Kailans				15/8
				Ranhs				\$94
				Hong Kong Mines				6 cts.
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
				H.K. & S. Hotels				\$3.05
				H.K. Lands				\$282
				Do. 4% Debentures				\$100
				Shanghai Lands				\$3.80
				H.K. Realities				\$6.50
				Humphreys				\$6.60
				Chinese Estates				\$104
				Cotton Mills				
				Ewo (S.)				\$29
				S'hai Cottons (S.)				\$210
				Zoong Sings (S.)				\$125
				Wing On Textiles (S.)				\$125
				Public Utilities				
				H.K. Tramways				\$14
				Peak Trams (old)				\$5
				Peak Trams (new)				\$57
				Star Ferries				\$21
				Y.M. Ferry				\$5.90
				China Lights (O)				\$2.90
				H.K. Electric (New)				\$38
				H.K. Electric (Old)				\$35
				Macao Electric (Old)				\$17
				Macao Electric (New)				\$112
				Sandakan Lights				\$112
				Telephones (old)				\$19
				Telephones (new)				\$72
				S'pers Tractors (Ord.)				\$12
				Industries				
				Cald. Macg. (Ord.) S.				\$14.90
				Cald. Macg. (Pref.) S.				\$12
				Canton Ice				\$1
				H.K. Bopes				\$4
				Miscellaneous				
				Dairy Farms				\$17
				Entertainments				\$8.50
				Constructions (old)				\$1.85
				Constructions (new)				\$1
				Lane Crawford				\$7
				Nanyang Tobacco				\$2.10
				Sincere				\$2.10
				Watsons				\$7.25
				Ch. G. S. 1935-36				45/8
				H.K. Govt. 4% Loan				102 1/2
				H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan				85 1/2
				H.K. Wing On				\$14
				Vibro Piling				\$61
				Marmans Inv. (Lon.)				8/0
				Marmans Inv. (H.K.)				4/0
				Wm. Powells				\$1
				*Sale to Shanghai				

Finance and Commerce

UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF CUSTODIAN

BATA SHOE CO. IN SINGAPORE

In consequence of a recent announcement made in London regarding the position of the Bata Shoe Company and its 140 subsidiaries throughout the world, action has been taken by Government to place the subsidiary company in Singapore under the direct supervision of the Custodian of Enemy Property.

By this the affairs and business of the company in Singapore will henceforth be placed under the direct control of the Custodian, who in turn has appointed a chartered accountant as the supervisor, granting him full power to deal with the company's affairs.

The aim of this supervision, according to the Custodian of Enemy Property, is to ensure that the Company will have no dealings at all with their other subsidiary companies in countries already overrun by the enemy.

The announcement made in London is to the effect that "the Bata Shoe Company and its 140 subsidiaries throughout the world except six in Great Britain, those in the United States, and any allied country not overrun by Germany, have been placed on the Board of Trade black list as being a concern trading with the enemy."

The local subsidiary is not included in the black list. It is pointed out, but nevertheless steps to prevent it from having further connections with the other subsidiaries in enemy territory are considered necessary.

The Malaya Tribune also understands that similar action is being taken in other parts of the Empire where the Bata Shoe Company have their subsidiaries.

As it is, there will be no interference with the business of the company whatsoever but their dealings will, however, always be under the supervision of the supervisor, who is Mr. A. J. Kane, of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews.

The biggest shoe establishment in Malaya, Bata has branches all over the country, and according to their manager, this action of Government is regarded as a fine gesture.

The supervision came into force two days ago, and the Tribune was informed that it will continue for the duration of the war.

OPIUM REVENUE ON DECREASE

Opium smokers of the F.M.S. smoked less chandu last year than in the previous year, according to the annual report of the F.M.S. Customs and Excise Department for 1939.

The total amount realised from the sale of opium was \$5,641,917.10, and the amount spent in the purchase of chandu and chandu dross amounted to \$1,122,504.47, giving a nett amount of \$4,519,412.63 to be credited to revenue. This shows a decrease of \$722,389 from the nett amount in 1938.

The total amount of chandu sold during the year was 432,438 tahils, showing a decrease of 48,711 tahils on the 1938 figure. Included in the figure were the 792 tahils supplied to the Leper Asylum at a nominal cost of \$3 per tahil.

The total number of smokers on the register was 25,948, compared with the 1938 total of 27,607.

There were 4,017 prosecutions for offences in connection with chandu in the F.M.S. last year, states the annual report of the Customs and Excise Department for 1939.

The fines inflicted totalled \$171,045, a total of which only \$45,715 was paid. In addition to instituting prosecutions in court, advantage was taken of the powers vested in Customs Officers for the compounding of minor offences. The number of cases compounded during the year was 681, as compared with 1,037 in 1938.

The F.M.S. Customs and Excise Department collected \$36,975,475 in revenue last year, according to the annual report of the department for 1939.

Importance Of Sugar In War

100,000 TONS SENT FROM JAVA

The biggest sugar transaction ever recorded in the history of the commodity took place the day war broke out, when the British Government bought from British sugar-growing territories the entire harvest for this year and next.

This was one of the points made by Mr. Jacques L. L'Espagniol when, speaking to the Singapore Rotary Club, he dealt with the history of sugar from the military and political point of view rather than the commercial angle.

Britain, he said, had always been one of the world's biggest buyers of cane sugar.

The British soldier, said Mr. L'Espagniol, in wartime consumes five times as much sugar as in peacetime. The French polu takes about three times as much, and in the present war thousands of tons of chocolates, sweets and sugars, are being shipped to France for distribution among French and British soldiers.

The German soldier however, consumes roughly 20 per cent. of what he is allowed in peace time.

INDISPENSABLE

"More than is generally believed, sugar is indispensable for those who are fighting for our liberty," Mr. L'Espagniol stated.

Arrangements made between the British Government and the Dutch authorities, now on the side of the Allies, had facilitated the export of sugar from Java to England.

It was only recently that 100,000 tons of Java sugar was sent to Britain. The value of the consignment was \$8,000,000.

"Under present circumstances, however, sugar is not as sweet as it usually tastes," said Mr. L'Espagniol, explaining that many Java firms had seen their markets considerably reduced owing to restrictions.

He said he was assured of the "future" of sugar despite all the miseries of Europe.

"It is definitely safe," he said, adding, "One day Adolf Hitler will probably come to the conclusion that the Franco-British sugar market is still showing an upward tendency."

Mr. L'Espagniol referred to the fact that Alexander the Great was one of the first great militarists to appreciate the importance of sugar for the army.

He sent a delegation to India, then the chief sugar-producing country, for a close study of its production, and then ordered the

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Friday, July 5.

Last week's summary stated that a somewhat better "feeling" abounds in the market. This was rudely shattered by the evacuation bombshell broadcast on the same, Friday, evening. So many having to make hurried preparations for an "unknown quantity," the Monday's Bank holiday was cancelled. It causes wonderment that the departure of the second batch of evacuees was not preceded by a plethora of forced selling to raise the wind to an extent that had already been done, though not financially. There has been a natural and necessary desire on the part of some holders to secure immediate funds, and the market has stood up to the selling for this necessity remarkably well, though it must be admitted that the volume of selling has not been too unwieldy. Leaving aside H.K. Banks which have had a good rise following their recovery in London, a comparison of the opening quotations on 29th ult. (last Saturday) and the closing ones of today shows a refreshing power of absorption, coupled with only minor fluctuations against holders. It would seem then a mild dose of confidence injected into the market might lead to an improvement both in prices and turnover. Evidence is not lacking of the existence of bargain hunters lurking on the side lines.

BUSINESS DONE DURING THE WEEK

H.K. Banks, \$1,060, \$1,070.
Unions' Ins., \$315, \$312.
Hotels, \$3.
Lands, \$30, \$29, \$28.
Tramways, \$14, \$13.90.
China Lights (Old), \$6, \$5.90, \$5.80.
China Lights (New), \$3.05, \$3.
Electrics (Old), \$37, \$36.
Telephones (Old), \$19.
Cements, \$13.10.
Dairy Farms, \$17, \$17.
Watsons, \$7.40, \$7.30, \$7.40.
H.K. Govt., 4% Loan 102.
H.K. Govt., 3 1/2% Loan, 95 X. Int.

BUYERS

Unions, \$310.
Trams, \$14.10.
China Lights (Old), \$5.70.
China Lights (New), \$2.95.
Telephones (Old), \$19.25.
Watsons, \$7.50.

SALES

Hotels, \$3.10.
Lands, \$29.
Electrics (Old), \$36.
Dairy Farms, \$17.20.

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WEEKLY RETURNS AND REPORTS

LONDON, July 4 (Reuters).	June 27	July 4
Public Deposits	57,970	16,000
Other Deposits:—		
Bankers	82,750	140,120
Other Accounts	50,330	45,839
Total	133,080	185,959
Government Securities	161,100	171,250
Other Securities:—		
Discounts & Advances	4,710	5,450
Securities	23,540	23,190
Total	28,250	28,640
Notes and Coins	29,580	25,580
Total Bullion	1,730	1,770
Notes in circulation	602,150	608,180
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	15.48%	11.47%
Price of Gold at which holdings are valued	168/-	168/-

KEROSENE PRICES REDUCED
The Asiatic Petroleum Company (South China), Limited advise that as from July 4 their prices for Kerosene have been reduced by \$1 per unit and their retail prices per unit of approximately 8-1/3 LG are now as follows:—

BRAND	Price
Silverlight (in Cases)	\$4.05
Silverlight (New Tins)	7.15
Crown/Lampglass/Rising Sun (New Tins)	7.00
Crown/Lampglass/Rising Sun (in Drums)	5.60
Cross (New Tins)	6.85
Cross (in Drums)	5.45

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AVERAGE ONE-CENT PROFIT

American Hotel managers have a problem in stretching the "guest dollar" they receive from the welcome visitor, Thomas D. Green, President of the American Hotel Association declared in a bulletin to six thousand member hotels. The bulletin advised members to acquaint the public with the facts about hotel operations during National Hotel Week, June 2 to 8.

"As to the hotel guest dollar and where it goes," writes Mr. Green, "our survey shows that 38 cents is for payroll, including Social Security Tax (an increase of 16 per cent. since 1935); 28 cents for sundries, 20 cents for merchandise, including food, beverages, etc., 8 cents for depreciation; 7 cents for real estate taxes, and only one cent for profit."

This is equal, Mr. Green declares, "to a return of .041, or about two-fifths of one per cent. of an assessed value of the investment, which is generally much less than the original cost."

RETAIL STORES

In the average community, retail stores get 32 per cent. of the visitor's dollar; hotels receive 28 per cent.; restaurants 14 per cent.; railroads and local transportation, 10 per cent.; theatres and other amusements, 10 per cent.; and the remaining per cent. is expended for garages, gas, oil, and for miscellaneous items, the survey reveals.

Pointing to the contribution of hotels in America to the industrial life of the nation, Mr. Green reports that these hotels consumed annually foodstuffs costing over \$300,000,000; that last year hotels paid the total of \$58,000,000 in real estate taxes and that the \$25,000 hotel employees received \$300,000,000 in salaries and wages; insurance of various kinds totalled \$15,000,000 in premiums; furniture, decorations and kitchen equipment cost \$30,000,000; plumbing, silverware, rugs and carpets, mattresses and miscellaneous items cost \$30,000,000 more, of which \$25,000,000 was spent in advertising hotels, most of it going to newspapers.

Observation of National Hotel Week will have the co-operation of local chambers of commerce.

COLONY HEALTH RETURNS

The number of cases of notifiable diseases reported to the local Health authorities yesterday for the 24 hours ended midnight, July 4, were: Tuberculosis 21 cases; dysentery six; measles two and one each of cerebro-spinal fever and enteric fever.

QUEBEC, July 5 (Reuter).—The second group of children to reach Canada this week arrived yesterday. Most of them left immediately for Montreal.

Man Fined For Making Alarming War Statements

Alleged to have made alarming statements in regard to the war at the Fallin market on three occasions, a Chinese pork butcher, was prosecuted in the Police Court in Ipoh under the Emergency Regulations Enactment, and was convicted and sentenced to two days' imprisonment on the first charge and a fine of \$15 or two weeks' rigorous imprisonment on each of the other two charges.

The statements, alleged to have been made by the accused to Tone Seong, a railway fireman, on May 10, May 27 and May 30 endeavoured to influence public opinion in a manner likely to be prejudicial to the efficient prosecution of the war.

Mr. W. Yates, of the Penak Detective Branch, prosecuted.

Tone Seong, a fireman employed by the F.M.S. Railways and living at Fallin, said that on May 10 he went to buy meat from the accused's stall in the Fallin market. The accused asked him what he knew about the war. Witness said he had no idea and that he was working on a goods train.

WARNED WITNESS
Accused then told him to be careful. When asked where he got the information from, accused said that he could reason things out for himself.

Several people who were standing about at the time laughed at witness. On the second occasion, May 27, the accused again made a statement to witness who had come to buy meat at his stall. Witness went away and on May 29 made a report to the Police. Next day a detective accompanied

witness to the market and they made certain arrangements. When they came up to the pork stall the accused again talked about the war. He asked witness if he had read the newspapers.

Accused again made a statement about the war.

MIND OWN BUSINESS

In the meantime a young Chinese came out and told the accused to mind his own business and not to talk in such a manner or else he would be prosecuted.

Cheong Kwok Cheong, a detective, corroborated witness's story in regard to the third occasion. He stated that the accused made further statements.

In witness's opinion these statements were made quite seriously.

In his defence the accused denied making any of the statements with which he was charged. He had quarrelled with the first witness over some quantity of pork on previous occasions and that was the reason why the case had been brought against him.

His worship said that he was quite satisfied that the accused was guilty. If he had been an educated man he would probably be sentenced to prison.

"His nick name is Saw Chye Ying, sir, which literally means Foolish Ying. This is probably a point in his favour," remarked Mr. Yates.

His worship sentenced the accused as stated.

Preferential Duty On Tobacco

Reference to the increase of duty of approximately 25 per cent. on intoxicating liquors of all kinds and on tobacco and cigarettes on Dec. 1 last year, to provide additional revenue towards a war contribution to the Government of the United Kingdom was made by Mr. N. E. Jarrett, Controller of Customs, S.S. and F.M.S. in his annual report for 1939.

No new articles were added to or removed from the list of import duties, further states the report.

In the case of the increase on cigars, the duty was almost doubled, and the opportunity taken of introducing a preferential rate of duty.

AIR-TIGHT TINS

The report further adds that the distinction for duty purposes previously drawn between manufactured tobacco packed in air-tight tins or containers, and manufactured tobacco not so packed was abolished, and the duty on the latter type of manufactured tobacco brought up to the same level as that on the former.

In June a preferential rate of 10 cents per lb. on unmanufactured tobacco was introduced for the first time in order to benefit India, and this preference was retained when the duties were raised in December.

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Hong Kong, 29th July, 1940. [375]

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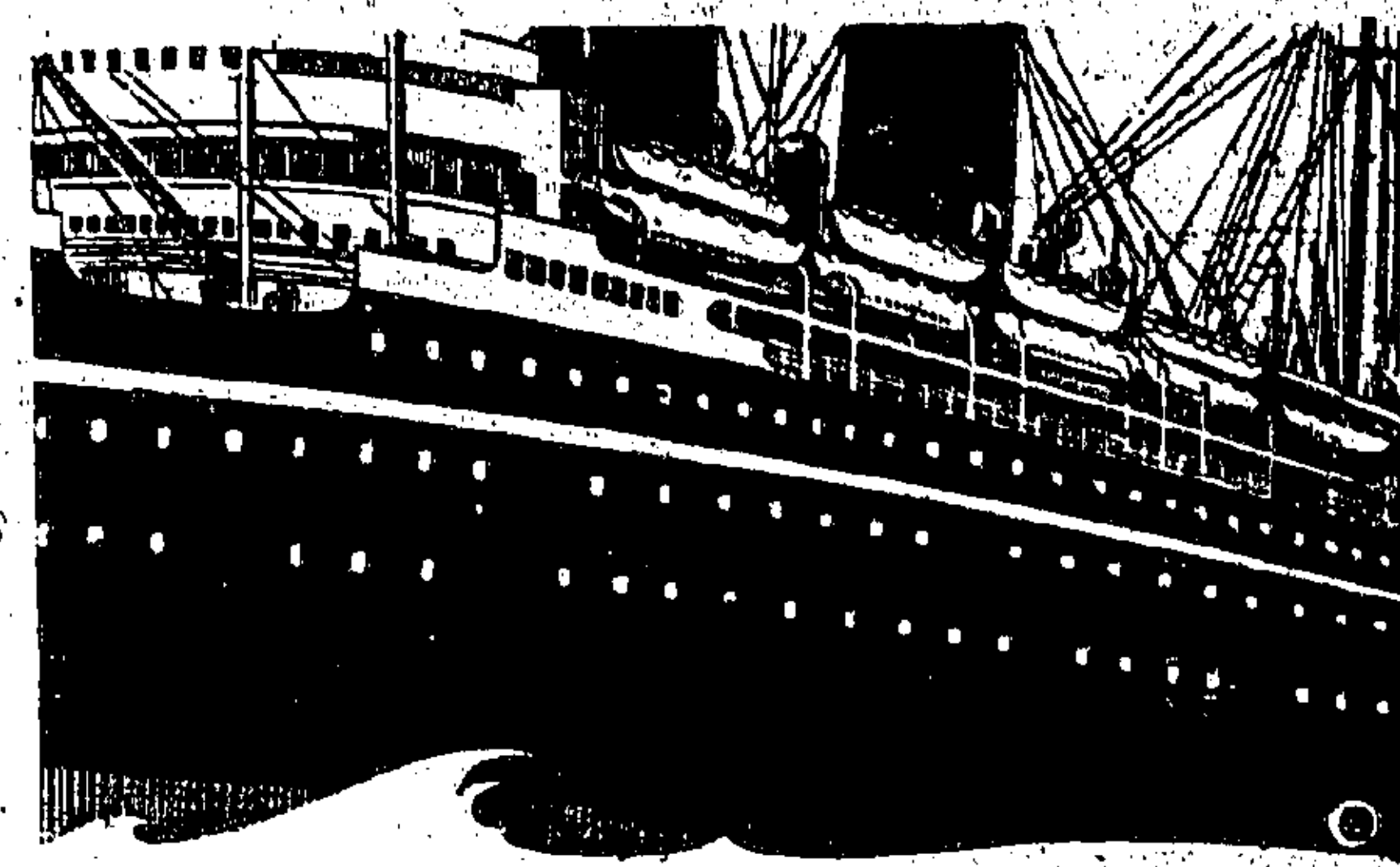
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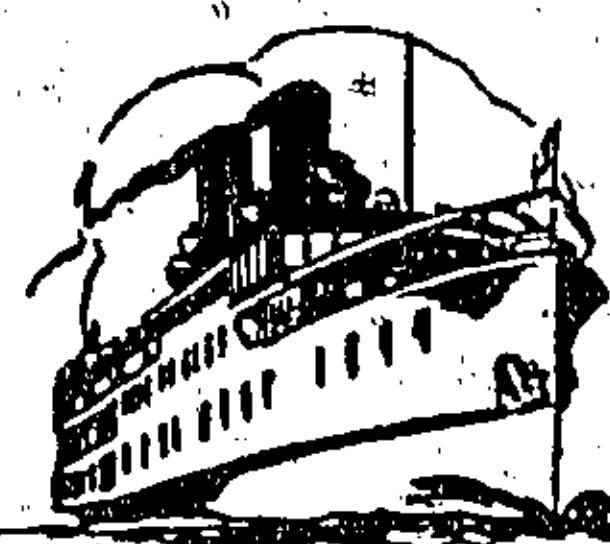
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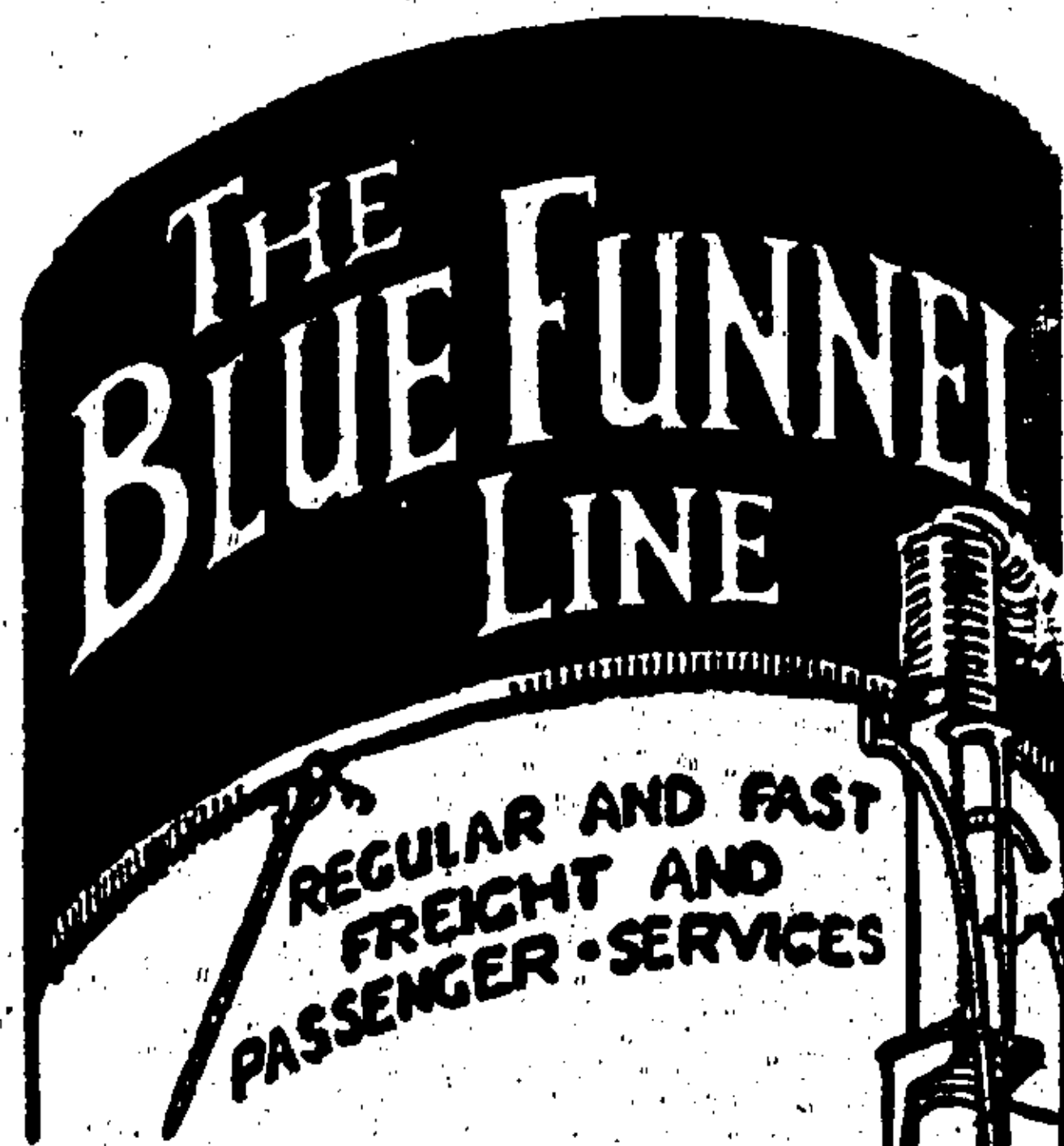
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Canadians Offer Haven To Europe's Refugee Children



CHILDREN OF CHATHAM, ENGLAND, EVACUATED

As the threat of the Nazi forces comes closer to the British Isles, arrangements are rushed to get the children into safety outside of the cities and towns. Now attention is turning to their removal across the Atlantic in the welcoming offer of homes from the Canadian Government and the people.

Evacuation Discomforts

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the evacuees assembled, with husbands and friends on the outside. Ferries crossed the harbour with after cabin exclusively reserved for the refugees, and no outside contact was permitted. At Kowloon they marched directly from the ferry to the grey Empress liner at the No. 1 Wharf.

REGISTRATION OF CHINESE

Arrangements have been made for the voluntary registration of Chinese nationals now in Hongkong who are desirous of being evacuated to parts of Free China, that is territory other than that under Japanese occupation.

This is in order to get an idea as to the numbers who would avail themselves of the opportunity if and when they are ordered to evacuate the Colony.

Registration will take place on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday between 4 and 6 p.m. at the office of the Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre, Room No. 329 Prince's Building, third floor. Access is from the Des Voeux Road entrance.

Mr. Percy Chen, chairman of the Centre, is in contact with the British and Chinese authorities concerning facilities for the repatriation of Chinese. The most important part of arrangements is the question of transportation, but it is confidently believed suitable facilities will be made available.

A number of Chinese relief organisations are co-operating in the scheme. The work of registration will be undertaken by voluntary workers.

SHORT DELAY

With reference to the notification published regarding the registration of women and children as well as persons over 55 who were previously exempted, we are asked to state that, as some revision of the forms now in use may prove advisable, there will be a short delay before these can be issued.

It is hoped also to secure premises more accessible than the present registration office. Full information on both these points will be issued in due course.

NORMAL BORDER ACTIVITY

Military Headquarters yesterday stated that the border situation was unchanged, there being only normal activity.

Police are still in charge of the line, the military units remaining at reserve positions and observation posts.

Heavy rains have fallen in the area, and the military spokesman locally said the soldiers were having quite a drenching.

The Japanese force on the other side, reported last week to consist of between 2,000 and 3,000 men, does not appear to have been increased.

PORTUGUESE STEP

Portuguese nationals in Hongkong are advised, if they wish to leave the Colony for Macao or elsewhere, to leave now rather than later in order to obviate any possibility of panic in an emergency. It was learned yesterday from the Portuguese Consulate.

It is emphasised, however, that the advice should not be misinterpreted as a warning to leave. Those who have nothing to keep them here and are already preparing to depart would do well, though, not to delay their departure.

Many Portuguese Nationals have already left the Colony for Macao, Shanghai and Manila. It was also learned from the Consulate.

BY JAPANESE BOAT

Altogether 418 men, women and children, most of whom can be classed as leaving because of the local situation, sailed for Shanghai yesterday aboard a Japanese liner.

MANSLAUGHTER ALLEGED

FOKI CHARGED IN KOWLOON

Committal proceedings on a charge of manslaughter were commenced before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday against Lam Tsan, vegetable garden foki, who, it is alleged, killed a vegetable stall foki, Ng Lin, about 33 years of age, by striking him a blow in the stomach during a dispute between the two.

Det.-Sgt. N. B. Fraser is prosecuting, and the defence is being conducted by Mr. Hin-Shing Lo. It is alleged that defendant hit Ng Lin after accusing him of stealing a quantity of long beans from his garden.

NUMBNESS IN ABDOMEN

The long beans had been paid for by the deceased's master, and the dispute was brought to an end with the arrival of the master. However, deceased, on his way back to his stall in Boundary Street, complained of leg weariness and numbness in his abdomen, and told his assistant, a coolie he had hired to proceed with the vegetables while he rested.

Some time later, about 3 or 4 p.m. the same day—July 17—he was found by a woman lying outside No. 427B, Reclamation Street. He asked that his master be called, and was taken first to the Kwong Wah and later to the Kowloon Hospital where he died the same day at 8.15 p.m. during an operation.

The case was adjourned after several witnesses had been heard.

SHUMCHUN RURAL WELFARE

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Sir—Arrangements have been made by the Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre to make a register of all Chinese Nationals who wish to evacuate to parts of Free China when and if the occasion arises.

Registration will take place at Room 329, Prince's Bldg., 3rd floor, entrance from Des Voeux Road on Monday (8th), Tuesday (9th), and Wednesday (10th).

Yours faithfully,

EMILY KO,

Secretary.

The figure includes passengers from all the three classes, consisting of some Japanese, stated to be travellers and not local residents, Chinese, and Europeans of all nationalities, including White Russians.

One World Affair Today

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BALBAO MYSTERY

"Last Saturday," he said, "the announcement was made that Marshal Balbao was shot down and killed in an encounter with the Royal Air Force. Flags were half-masted in Rome and there was much mourning in the Italian capital."

There was, the speaker went on, no confirmation from the Egyptian Headquarters of the Royal Air Force of any aerial battle with any plane answering to the description of the one used by the Italian Air Marshal.

Then it transpired that Marshal Balbao was flying in company with his brother-in-law and another passenger and, the speaker said, "no airman ever carried any passengers when he goes out to battle."

"We do not know Balbao met his death; we only know that he is dead and that one of the gangsters who had helped the Duce to build his Fascist Italy was now no more."

Mr. Wickham Steed recalled that some years ago Marshal Balbao had a narrow escape from death when a plane that he had intended to fly was taken up by another pilot and came crashing down soon after it took off.

THE BALKANS
Mr. Wickham Steed then switched over to talk about the situation in the Balkans and remarked that there was a distinct lack of harmony between Soviet Russia and Germany in regard to the Soviet demands on Rumania.

"Moscow is making hay while the sun shines and she is determined that nobody takes any action in that part of the hayfield in which Russia is interested."

KING CAROL

Talking about King Carol, the speaker said that the Rumanian sovereign had for years gravitated towards the Rome-Berlin axis. He wanted to be sole dictator in Rumania and he regarded Russia as his chief enemy.

King Carol, the speaker went on, professed an admiration for Herr Hitler and he made no secret of this, even as long as three years ago when he attempted to drive his Party in double-harness. Where will his efforts drive his people, the speaker asked.

Characteristically, the speaker continued, King Carol started to swing over to Germany by denouncing the British guarantee. King Carol, whose mother was an English Princess, thinks of nothing but his own interests, Mr. Wickham Steed said.

RESPIRE FROM HUNGARY
"For the moment, he might have earned a respite from Hungary. It is agreed that there is not now so much military pressure as economic pressure. We ought to know what this means and if we do not Marshal Petain and his henchmen ought to be able to tell us."

Mr. Wickham Steed said the impending attack on England by Hitler was holding the attention of the world for it was upon the outcome of this attack that the fate of civilisation itself may hang. "The people of the Empire are not conscious of any anxiety in the matter. They see only their duty and their determination to win through in their fight to preserve civilisation. It will be stoutly and worthily upheld," he concluded.

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Amoy	8th July
Shanghai	8th July
Formosa, Amoy and Swatow	8th July
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U. S. A. and Manila—(San Francisco date 11th June)	7th July
Shanghai	7th July
Canton	7th July
Japan and Shanghai	7th July
Haiphong	7th July
Shanghai and Amoy	7th July
Sandakan	7th July
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 25th June	8th July
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	8th July
Bangkok and Saigon	8th July
Haiphong	8th July
Japan	8th July
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 2nd July	9th July
Manila	9th July
Japan and Shanghai	9th July
Japan	9th July
Java and Manila	9th July
U. S. A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 19th June)	9th July
Shanghai	9th July
Shanghai and Amoy	10th July
Canton	10th July
Japan and Shanghai	10th July
Manila	10th July
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	11th July
Shanghai	11th July
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Shanghai	11th July
Japan and Manila	12th July
Japan and Shanghai	12th July
Shanghai	12th July
Calcutta and Straits	12th July
Straits	12th July
Java and Manila	12th July
Shanghai	12th July
Japan	12th July

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Amoy	4.30 PM
Bangkok	4.30 PM
Shanghai	4.30 PM
Sandakan	4.30 PM
SUNDAY	
Bangkok	Sun. 7th 9.00 AM
Shanghai	9.00 AM
MONDAY	
Canton	Mon. 8th 7.15 AM
Straits	10.30 AM
Shanghai	10.30 AM
Shanghai	12.30 PM
Amoy	12.30 PM
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Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Tue. 9th 8.30 AM
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THURSDAY	
Shanghai	Thu. 11th 12.30 PM
Swatow	1.00 PM

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